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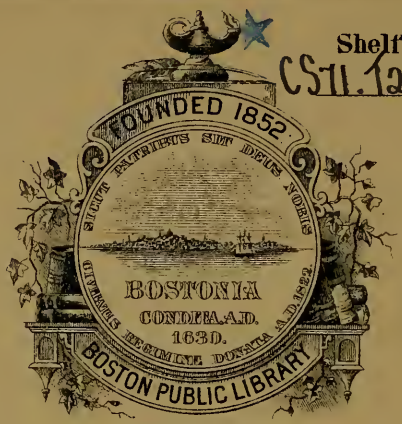

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FOREWORD

THIS genealogy, covering six generations over a period of 155 years, extends from the birth of Jasper Taylor in 1794 to the year 1949. With very few exceptions, it names and places by specific dates all his direct descendants. In addition, by means of footnotes and appendices, it traces back the ancestry, as far as practicable within a study of this scope, of each person whom every recorded descendant of Jasper Taylor married. The extent to which such lineages are traced varies. In some instances only the parents are given. In others the family is traced back many generations, in one case to the early 15th century.

Although data on the family of Jasper Taylor were published in skeleton form as an appendix to the author's *Andrew Mills and his Descendants* (1944), nearly all family history in the present book is now published for the first time. Besides the strictly genealogical facts, here are placed on permanent record many events of interest both to members of the family and to others which would otherwise be lost. This applies particularly to narratives concerning pioneer settlers both in the Taylor and allied families.

The total number of direct descendants of Jasper Taylor recorded is 457. There are 10 persons in the third or later generations as to whom it has not been possible to determine whether they had children. Of the 457 persons, 237 were male and 220 were female. A total of 354 were living in 1948.

Fifty-one of Jasper Taylor's descendants (more than 10%) served in the armed forces of Canada, the United States, and Great Britain during the Spanish-American and the two World Wars. Ten of the fifty-one lost their lives.

The occupations of 147 of his descendants are known. Fifty-four (37%) were engaged in the professions, 11 being teachers, 10 nurses, 10 ministers, missionaries and in other religious occupations, 4 lawyers, 2 doctors, 2 editors, and 15 in

various other professions. Fourteen of his descendants married professional men.

The next largest occupational group is business and industry, which includes not only self-employed persons but executive and clerical (but not professional) employees of industrial and commercial establishments. In this group are 31 persons (21%), of whom 24 were men and 7 were women. Twenty-six descendants married men belonging to this group.

Agriculture, including dairying and nursery work, claimed 30 (20%). Thirty-nine of the women descendants married farmers.

Jasper Taylor himself was a skilled artisan. Twenty-six (18%) of his descendants were artisans or workmen, and 11 of his female descendants married men in this occupational group.

Descendants of Jasper Taylor Classified by Occupation

Professional	54
Business and industry	31
Agriculture	30
Artisans and workmen	26
Government service	2
Transportation	4
Unknown occupations	10
Housekeepers	5
Housewives (99) married to:	
Professional men	14
Business men	26
Farmers	39
Workmen	11
Transportation workers	1
Men whose occupations not known	8
Not gainfully employed (196):	
Boys	114
Girls	82
Total	457

In every part of the book rigorous standards of accuracy and authenticity have been set up and applied. While it can-

not be expected that no errors have crept in, it is believed that they are very few and minor and that the statements made may be relied upon with confidence.

In order to show clearly the relationship of each direct descendant to his ancestor Jasper Taylor, a system of code numbers has been adopted. The figure 1. begins every code number and refers to the common ancestor. The next following numbers (separated by periods) denote children of Jasper Taylor in the order of their birth. Thus 1.5. represents Jasper's fifth child, James. Similarly 1.5.1. represents James's first child, Wellington, and 1.5.1.3. represents Wellington's third child. It will be noted that the number of divisions in each code number tells at a glance how many generations the bearer of the number is from Jasper Taylor.

Arrangement of the articles is such that the account of each branch of the family is finished down to the latest generation before the account of the next branch is begun. Thus all the children of Job (1.1.) are described before any of Sarah's (1.2.), and all the children of Job's eldest child (1.1.1.) before the sketch of his second child (1.1.2.). An asterisk (*) before a name in lists of children indicates that a biographical account of the individual follows.

A complete index of names is provided. Married women are indexed by their maiden names only.

The author wishes to express her thanks to those who contributed family records and personal recollections, some of whom went to considerable pains to assemble data and place them at her disposal.

More particularly she wishes to acknowledge the assistance given by her husband, John Wilson Taylor, in writing and editing and in the travel and research which were essential for the completion of the book in its final form.

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JASPER TAYLOR

1.

JASPER TAYLOR (1794-1878) was born 5 April 1794 at Highway,[a] Wiltshire, England, a hamlet of some 800 acres about four and one-half miles northeast of the market town of Calne and approximately 97 miles west of London. He was a carpenter by trade and for upwards of 20 years was employed by the family which owned the land comprising the hamlet. He resided on the only freehold in the parish.[b]

On 7 June 1819, when he was 25 years of age, he married Anna Whale (Nov. 1, 1795-Aug. 1, 1853), also of Highway. They had nine children, all baptized in the local parish of the Church of England.

Twenty-three years after his marriage and in his 49th year Jasper broke his ties with his homeland and, with his wife and children, the eldest twenty-one and the youngest two years of age, took ship for Canada on 17 April 1842.

This decision was taken at a time when wages as measured by goods they would buy had been declining for a long time. England was in the throes of agitation against the so-called Corn Laws, the purpose of which was to keep the price of wheat high for the benefit of the landowners by placing a tax on imports. The result was to keep the cost of living high for wage earners, the class to which Jasper Taylor belonged. The Chartist movement, organized in 1838, finally succeeded in

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a. Highway is described in *Gazetteer of the World*, Vol. IV, as a parish of Wiltshire, 4½ miles northeast of Calne; area 950 acres; population in 1841, 147. "Hiwi" is mentioned in *Domesday Book* as belonging to Ralph de Mortimer. See Aubrey & Jackson's *Wiltshire Collections*, 1659, p. 60.

In 1938 the late Canon Peters, Bremhill Vicarage, Calne, Wiltshire, reported the population of Highway "in spite of a few exceptionally large families" to be about 50 and, referring to the 1841 population being 147, queried: "Where did they all live?"

In the spring of 1943 the late Sherman Taylor, son of the author, in England with his Regiment, the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, visited Bremhill Vicarage and reported that the hamlet of Highway, with an area of 800 acres, was owned entirely by a Mr. Addington, all of the adult residents being his employees.

b. Reported by one of Jasper's great-grandsons, Harvey Franklin Taylor (1.7.1.2.).

having the Corn Laws repealed in 1848. Meanwhile, Jasper and his family were among the many who in 1842 left England to begin life over again in the New World.

With Jasper, economic reasons were supplemented by another motive, a motive of which he was acutely conscious—the desire for religious freedom. He was deeply interested in religion of the evangelical type which, in the form of Methodism, had been making inroads on the established religion, particularly in the humbler walks of life, and opened his house to Methodist meetings. This course met with the disfavor of his employer, the owner of Highway, who first tried to dissuade him, then offered him a bribe in the form of a suit of clothes, and finally threatened him with discharge. Though Jasper persisted in his course the threat was not carried out, but he finally left Highway, voluntarily, for Canada.

The voyage occupied six weeks. The family brought its own food and water for the passage.[c] The cost of passage to Montreal for the entire family of eleven was probably in the neighborhood of £24.[d] The party took a smaller boat at Montreal and proceeded westward up the St. Lawrence River. At Kingston, where the river widens into Lake Ontario, they stopped for several weeks.[e] Jobs were found for two of the boys, John (aged 15) on a Lake boat and James (aged 13) in a brewery. The others proceeded to Hamilton, whence they journeyed overland by hired wagons through Simcoe to Forestville, in the township of Charlotteville, county of Norfolk, Ontario.

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c. In his later years James Taylor, at the time of this voyage 13 years of age, recounted how to him was assigned the task of keeping the water jugs from overturning during rough weather. This story was passed on by his son Wilson to John Wilson Taylor, husband of the author.

d. This figure is an estimate based on rates advertised ten years earlier (1832) in *The Emigrant's Pocket Companion* by Robt. Mudie. The rates quoted were:
Passage to Quebec or New Brunswick from London, ship owner supplying only water, fuel and bed places, inclusive of provisions £6, and without provisions £3; children under 14 half price, and under 7 one-third price. From Liverpool, Greenock, and ports of Ireland the price was less.

e. The family had two trunks of linens which they left behind at the place where they stayed at Kingston, probably to pay for their accommodation.

Forestville, which in 1853 had a population of 150, is located at the southern end of the township, about three miles from Lake Erie where the shore turns southward to form the eastern side of Turkey Point, a fertile region which had been settled in the 1790's.[f]

Jasper Taylor was not attracted primarily because of the fertility of the land. He was not a farmer. His interest was in finding a settled community in which he might ply his trade of carpentry and wagon making.[g] He was sufficiently successful at Forestville in the first two years of his stay that, in addition to supporting his family, he was able, on 9 October 1844, to purchase 3¼ acres of land, for which he paid £12.10s. This land he occupied while working at his trade.

The land, part of the south half of Lot 6, fronted on the first concession of Charlotteville township for 242 feet 10½ inches, and extended back to a mill pond along which the boundary ran for 211 feet 2½ inches. The depth of the lot on the west side was 655 feet 4½ inches. The east side, which was cut short by the mill pond, was 584 feet 1 inch. The deed was registered seven years later, 25 January 1851, and is recorded in the registry office at Simcoe, Ont.

The year in which Jasper purchased his plot of ground saw the family united again. John and James, who had been left behind at Kingston, finding life with their employers intolerable, left them and made their way by boat to Hamilton and on foot to Forestville to rejoin their parents. It is reported that the night before their arrival their mother had a vivid dream in which she saw the boys coming home, their possessions slung on sticks over their shoulders. The following day the dream came true.

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f. The first log cabin in the Turkey Point area was built in 1793 by Frederick Mabee, United Empire Loyalist. See *Ont. Hist. Scty. Papers & Records*, Vol. I, 1899, p. 122. The lake front lands of Norfolk county were largely granted to United Empire Loyalists, while the lands to the rear were taken up by American and British emigrants. See *Pioneer Sketches of the Long Point Settlement*, 1898, by E. A. Owen.

g. The wagon shop of Jasper Taylor was still standing in 1946. Mr. Hoover, a resident of Forestville since 1879, was authority for the statement that the wagon shop had been moved around on the lot several times. In 1946 it stood back from the street, but it had been out on the front of the lot two or three times.

For the next nine years the Taylor family applied themselves to making a living and getting a start in the New World. Jasper taught at least three of his sons (Job, James, and Jesse) his own trade. John became a farmer and James a farmer and wagon maker. His daughter Rebecca married John M. Wilson in 1851. In 1853 Jasper's wife died. She was buried in the Methodist cemetery at Forestville.[h] Four years later he married Mary Bastedo,[i] a widow, who was born in 1793, and who survived him.

In 1860 Jasper sold to Curtis M. Petty ¼ acre of his land for $35. Eight years later he purchased 1 3/20 acres adjoining the original plot on the mill pond for $215. In 1872 he sold a lot 103 feet by 40 feet to Mary Matrow, wife of John Matrow, for $30. By this time all Jasper's sons and daughters had married, with the exception of the youngest daughter, Susanna, who removed to Port Rowan, Norfolk county, and supported herself by keeping a boarding house for students.

In 1874, having reached the age of 80, Jasper and his wife left their place in Forestville and went to live with Jasper's daughter, Mary Ann, who had married Charles Louks, and was residing on a farm three miles southwest of Walsingham Centre, in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont.

On 30 January 1877 Jasper sold to Benjamin Cooper, blacksmith, 17 perches [perch—a square rod] of land for $300 and on 1 June 1877 he sold his original plot at Forestville to

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h. Known as the Fairview cemetery. The inscription on her tombstone reads:

There is rest in Heaven
Anna
wife of
Jasper Taylor
died Aug. 1, 1853
ae. 57 yrs. 9 mo.
Farewell my husband and children most dear
I left you all weeping, all bathed in tears
May we all meet our Saviour His goodness to praise
In that heavenly kingdom where all will be love.

i. Mary may have been one of the daughters-in-law of Jacob Bastedo, United Empire Loyalist of Kingston and Stamford (Niagara District), who married Clarissa Jean Van Slyke and had 7 sons, one of whom was John, of Stamford, who married Mary Flewelling, and whose Order-in-Council for land was dated 30 June 1819.

Albert Johnson, blacksmith, for $425, a price which represented approximately a 750% increase over the £12.10s. he had paid 33 years earlier.

On 14 January 1878 Jasper died,[j] in his 84th year. He was buried in the Fairview cemetery at Forestville, Ont.

Children

* 1. Job _____ (1821- ?)
* 2. Sarah _____ (1823-1882)
* 3. Mary Ann _____ (1825-1894)
* 4. John _____ (1827-1902)
* 5. James _____ (1829-1895)
* 6. Rebecca _____ (1830-1888)
* 7. Jesse _____ (1833-1894)
* 8. Jane _____ (1835-1910)
* 9. Susanna _____ (1840-1926)

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j. An obituary printed in an unidentified church paper over the signature "E. Teskey" reads as follows:

"Jasper Taylor was born April 5th, 1794, in Highway, Wiltshire, England. His mind was early exercised on the subject of religion, but did not fully decide for God till he heard a Methodist preacher by the name of William Blackford preach from Proverbs III, 33, 'The curse of the Lord is in the house of the wicked; but he blesseth the habitation of the just'. He went home and told his wife that the curse of the Lord was in their house, and they then resolved to remove it by giving their hearts to God. Ever after his home was a Christian home, and for years a class met and the Gospel was preached in the home, greatly to the dislike of the man from whom he earned his daily bread, who first advised, then tried to bribe by offering him a new suit of clothes, and finally threatened him with discharge if he did not close his house against the meetings. The threat, however, was not carried into effect, and he remained in the same employ till he came to this country in 1842. He settled at Forestville, in the county of Norfolk, where for 34 years he was known as a kind and obliging neighbour, honest man and consistent Christian. In 1853 he was called to mourn the loss of the wife of his youth. In 1857 he married a Mrs. Bastedo, with whom he walked in the way to heaven for twenty years, who still lingers behind him, waiting till summoned higher. The last two years of his life were spent on the Port Rowan mission, at the house of his son-in-law, Brother Charles Louks, where, on the 14th of January 1878, after leading in family prayer, he went to his room and in fifteen minutes passed peacefully to his reward, in his 84th year.

"Father Taylor was always regular in his attendance at the house of God, never allowing visitors, or any other cause that would grieve Christ, to keep him from the place of worship. He was a man of strong faith. In conversation with his son-in-law the week before he departed, he said: 'I have been young, and now am old; yet have I never seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread'. His daughter, who remembers him for fifty years, says: 'I never saw father angry'.

"He was spared to see all his children join the church of his choice, and many of

his grandchildren; and one, Jasper Wilson, enter the Christian ministry. E. Teskey." The inscription on his tombstone reads:

In Memory of Jasper Taylor
who died Jan. 14, 1878
aged
83 yrs 10 mos & 20 d's
A faithful friend, a husband dear,
A tender parent lieth here.
Great is the loss we here sustain
But hope in Heaven to meet again.

JOB TAYLOR

1.1.

JOB TAYLOR (1821- ?). eldest son of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born at Highway, Wiltshire, England. He was baptized in the Church of England 9 September 1821. In 1842, when he was 21 years old, he accompanied his parents to Canada and with them resided at Forestville, on the first concession of the township of Charlotteville, Norfolk county, Ont.

Job learned the trade of wagon making from his father and on his arrival in Canada plied his trade with his father at Forestville.

On 9 February 1848 Job purchased from James Innes Lewis, for £20, 1¾ acres of land, part of the south half of Lot 6, Con. 1, Charlotteville. A fortnight later he sold part of this land to Peter Finch for £25. The next day he bought from Thomas Hartfield for £100 five acres in the south half of Lot 6, Con. 1, Charlotteville. In these land transactions Job was described as a wagon maker.[a]

On 28 December 1852 Job purchased from Thomas Arnold Barnum 3 roods and 30 perches of land, part of the south half of Lot 6, Con. 1, Charlotteville, for £50. The deed describes him as a carpenter.[b]

On 8 March 1853 Job, described as yeoman, with Charlotte his wife, sold to Peter Finch 17 perches of land, part of the south half of Lot 6, Con. 1, Charlotteville, for £12. On 3 November in the same year Job, described as "wagon maker otherwise known as carpenter and joiner", with Charlotte his wife, sold to Augustus Wilson, merchant of Simcoe, Norfolk county, Ont., for £50, the five acres he had purchased five years earlier. On 4 April 1855 Job sold to his brother Jesse, for £75, the 3 roods and 30 perches of land he had purchased

a. In *Canada Directory 1851, Supplement 1853*, Job Taylor is listed in Forestville as carpenter and house painter.

b. Job, with his wife Charlotte and 2 young children, is given in the 1852 census records as residing in a 1½-story log cabin in Charlotteville.

in 1852. In 1861 Job and Charlotte resided in Houghton township, Norfolk county, in a one-story frame house, and in 1871 they resided at Port Burwell, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont., with three children still at home: "Rosana, Carlus, and Lidia".[c]

Job is said to have lived with his son, Charles, near Springfield, Elgin county, Ont., for some time before his death, which was caused by cancer of the lip.

Job's wife, Charlotte, was born in 1827 in New Brunswick. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Children

* 1. Lucetta (Lucy) _____ (1849-1886)
* 2. Rosanna _____ (1852- ?)
* 3. Charles _____ (1855- ?)
* 4. Lydia _____ (1858- ?)

1.1.1.

Lucetta (Lucy) Taylor (1849-1886), eldest daughter of Job and Charlotte Taylor, was born in the township of Charlotteville, Norfolk county, Ont. When she was 11 years old her parents resided in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont., and they were residing at Port Burwell, Elgin county, Ont., when Lucy married George Raymond,[a] farmer, of Malahide township, Elgin county, Ont. Lucy died in 1886.

Children

* 1. Louis M. _____ (1872-1923)
* 2. Leland F. _____ (1875-1912)
* 3. William Wallace ___ (1877-1935)
* 4. Nettie Pearl _____ (1881-)

c. See census records in Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.

a. George Raymond was born in 1848. He was brother of Hiram Raymond of Clear Creek, Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont., whose wife was Annie Louch, sister of Frances Louch, who married Wellington Taylor (1.5.1.). George died in July 1916 at the home of his daughter, Nettie Pearl, near Aylmer, Elgin county, Ont.

1.1.1.1.

Louis M. Raymond (1872-1923), eldest son of George and Lucy (Taylor) Raymond, was born 28 October 1872 in Malahide township, Elgin county, Ont.

At the outbreak of World War I, Louis was in the Canadian West engaged in farming near Fleming, Sask. On 18 May 1916 he enlisted in the 221st Battalion at Winnipeg, Man., and went overseas with the Canadian Expeditionary Force. He served in Canada, England, and France with the 78th Battalion and 4th Divisional Engineering Company. His serial number was 288651. He returned to Canada and was honorably discharged at Brandon, Man., 14 July 1919. Suffering from chronic Bright's disease, he was cared for in military hospitals and died of this disease 8 March 1923 at Grey Nuns' Hospital, Regina, Sask. His body was taken home and buried in the Aylmer cemetery, Elgin county, Ont. He died unmarried.

1.1.1.2.

Leland F. Raymond (1875-1912), son of George and Lucy (Taylor) Raymond, was born in October 1875. Leland attended the Aylmer high school and Woodstock Baptist College, after which he studied medicine in New York City, obtaining the degree of M.D. On 16 February 1899 at New York City he enlisted in the American Army and was assigned to the Hospital Corps. He served in the Philippine Islands and was honorably discharged 15 February 1902, an acting hospital steward, at Tananan, Batanges, Philippine Islands. After his discharge he became associated with a Dr. Winslow in the operation of a hospital in the Philippine Islands and, while thus engaged, he died in 1912 of yellow fever. He was not married.

1.1.1.3.

William Wallace Raymond (1877-1935), third son of George and Lucy (Taylor) Raymond, was born 20 October 1877. He was section foreman on the Canadian Pacific Railway and resided at Port Burwell, Elgin county, Ont. On 15

April 1902 he married Emma, daughter of George Milne of Port Burwell, owner of a fishing fleet on Lake Erie. Mr. Raymond died 27 September 1935 at Port Burwell and was buried in the Aylmer cemetery, Elgin county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Helen Lenore _____ (1908-)
* 2. George Allen _____ (1915-)

1.1.1.3.1.

Helen Lenore Raymond (1908-), daughter of William Wallace and Emma (Milne) Raymond, was born 28 September 1908 at Port Burwell, Elgin county, Ont. On 27 November 1931 she married Percy Howland of Bangor, Maine, who was employed (1946) at Valley Camp coal dock, and resided near Port Burwell. They had no children.

1.1.1.3.2.

George Allen Raymond (1915-), son of William Wallace and Emma (Milne) Raymond, was born 6 March 1915 at Port Burwell, Elgin county, Ont. He was employed (1946) on the Canadian Pacific Railway and resided at Port Burwell.

1.1.1.4.

Nettie Pearl Raymond (1881-), only daughter of George and Lucy (Taylor) Raymond, was born 17 June 1881. On 17 December 1911 she married, at Grove's End, Elgin county, Ont., Elgin Lawrance Chute,[a] farmer, of Malahide township, Elgin county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Ethel Mildred _____ (1912-)
* 2. Evelyn Pearl _____ (1915-)
* 3. Lawrance Raymond _ (1920-1942)

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a. Born 31 July 1879, son of Richard Lawrance Chute, who was born 31 March 1836 in Annapolis county, Nova Scotia, died 26 August 1917, and was buried in Aylmer cemetery, and Elizabeth Tisdale, his wife, whom he married 3 May 1864. Elizabeth was born 6 May 1843 in the township of Charlotteville, Norfolk county, Ont., died 14 August 1912, and was buried in the Aylmer cemetery, Elgin county, Ont.

1.1.1.4.1.

Ethel Mildred Chute (1912-), daughter of Elgin Lawrance and Nettie Pearl (Raymond) Chute, was born 23 October 1912 in the township of Malahide, Elgin county, Ont. She attended high school at Aylmer and graduated in 1930 from Alma College, St. Thomas.

1.1.1.4.2.

Evelyn Pearl Chute (1915-), daughter of Elgin Lawrance and Nettie Pearl (Raymond) Chute, was born 19 April 1915 in the township of Malahide, Elgin county, Ont. On 10 May 1937 she married Royden Cathers, schoolteacher and tobacco farmer of Grove's End, in the township of Malahide, Elgin county, Ont.

Children

1. Raymond, b. Oct. 16, 1937
2. Frederick, b. Jan. 30, 1941

1.1.1.4.3.

Lawrance Raymond Chute (1920-1942), son of Elgin Lawrance and Nettie Pearl (Raymond) Chute, was born 10 February 1920. He was educated in the local schools and later worked with his father on their 235-acre farm in Malahide township, Elgin county, Ont. On 19 September 1942 Raymond married Mary Crevitis, daughter of Joseph Crevitis, of Malahide township. Raymond died 19 October 1942, a victim of mistaken identity, at the hands of an armed neighbor who mistook Raymond for a police officer who he thought was coming to arrest him. The neighbor committed suicide a few hours later. Raymond was buried in the Aylmer cemetery, Elgin county, Ont.

1.1.2.

Rosanna Taylor (1852- ?), daughter of Job and Charlotte Taylor, was born in 1852 in Charlotteville township, Norfolk county, Ont. When she was 8 years old her parents

resided in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont., and when she was 18 they resided at Port Burwell, Elgin country, Ont. She married Frank Blanchard.

1.1.3.

Charles Taylor (1855- ?), son of Job and Charlotte Taylor, was born in 1855 (see census records in Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.). When he was 6 years old his parents resided in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont., and when he was 16 they resided at Port Burwell, Elgin county, Ont.

Charles owned a sawmill at Avon, near Springfield, Elgin county, Ont., in partnership with Frank Emerson. Selling his share of the business to his partner about 1900, he removed, with his family of eight or nine children, to the United States, and is said to have settled in Wisconsin.

1.1.4.

Lydia Taylor (1858- ?), daughter of Job and Charlotte Taylor, was born in 1858. When she was 3 years old her parents resided in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont., and when she was 13 they resided at Port Burwell, Elgin county, Ont. She married Major Blake and resided at Detroit, Mich.

SARAH TAYLOR

1.2.

SARAH TAYLOR (1823-1882), eldest daughter of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born at Highway, Wiltshire, England. She was baptised in the Church of England at Highway 3 August 1823.

Sarah went to Canada with her parents and brothers and sisters in 1842 and resided at Forestville, Norfolk county, Ont., where her father was a carpenter and wagon maker.

About the year 1852 Sarah married Samuel Wilson[a] and with him resided at Vittoria, Norfolk county, Ont. On 24 June 1873 Samuel obtained a Crown grant of 100 acres, the east half of Lot 22, Con. 3, Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont., which farm became their home.

In 1882 Sarah died. She was buried at Lynedoch,[b] five miles east of South Middleton, the village near which Samuel Wilson's farm was located.

On 24 September 1884 Samuel married[c] Eliza Hinkans, widow, who was born in England in 1852, daughter of William and Ann Hutchings. On 26 December 1901 Samuel sold his farm[d] and moved to South Middleton, where he kept the post office. Eliza died and was buried at Lynedoch. Samuel then went to live with his son Jesse, blacksmith of Culloden, Dereham township, Oxford county, where he died in 1904. He

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a. Samuel was born in 1830 at Rich Hill, County Armagh, Ireland. He was the 5th child of John and Jane (Craig) Wilson who, in 1847, left Ireland for Canada but died of "ship-fever" (typhus fever; see Appendix 11—Wilson Family) on their arrival in Montreal. After a short stay at the home of their mother's sister, Rachel, wife of Joseph Abraham, who at that time lived near Prescott, Grenville county, Ont., the family made their way to Norfolk county. See Appendix 11—Wilson Family.

b. Lynedoch in 1864 was the headquarters of the lumber industry on Big Creek in Norfolk county. Now (1948) Lynedoch is surrounded by a rich tobacco growing area.

c. This marriage was solemnized by Rev. D. H. Taylor in the township of Middleton, Norfolk county, Ont., and was witnessed by Isaac and Catharine Hutchings of Middleton. Both Samuel and Eliza were Methodists.

d. The grantee was Joseph Charlton; the selling price was $1,800.

was buried in the community cemetery at Tillsonburg, Oxford county, Ont. Sarah's body was brought from Lynedoch by her sons John and Jesse and placed beside that of her husband.

Children

* 1. John Alexander ____ (1853-1921)
2. Alfred _____ (1855-d. y.)
* 3. Rachel _____ (1856-1888)
* 4. Jesse _____ (1858-1922)

1.2.1.

John Alexander Wilson (1853-1921), eldest son of Samuel and Sarah (Taylor) Wilson, was born 25 April 1853 at Vittoria, Charlotteville township, Norfolk county, Ont. He grew up at Vittoria and accompanied his parents when they removed to their Middleton farm, but the greater part of his life was spent at Tillsonburg, Oxford county, Ont.

John Alexander was a highly skilled carpenter and cabinet maker. He took contracts for the carpentry work on houses, churches, and schools. He did the carpentry work on the Methodist church in Tillsonburg. He built his own house on King Street in Tillsonburg and most of the furniture in it. He was a Methodist, and gave liberally of his time and talents to the church.

In December 1889 John Alexander married Margaret J. McKim, who was born 18 May 1857, daughter of Philip McKim of Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 21 March 1921 John Alexander died suddenly of a heart attack. Margaret died 7 December 1924. Both were buried at Tillsonburg.

Child

* 1. Myrtle Rachel _____ (1893-)

1.2.1.1.

Myrtle Rachel Wilson (1893-), only child of John Alexander and Margaret (McKim) Wilson, was born 4 October 1893 at Tillsonburg, Ont. On 1 July 1910 she married Arthur Allemand (1892-) of Eden, Elgin county, Ont., by whom she had one daughter, Doris Marie. Myrtle Rachel

and Arthur were divorced and Myrtle married 4 April 1921 at Lapeer, Mich., her cousin, Ira Ernest Taylor,[a] son of Isaac and Rachel (Wilson) Taylor. They resided at Lapeer, where Ira died 12 November 1941. He was buried at Lapeer.

Children

* 1. Doris Marie _____ (1914-)
* 2. Frances Rachel _____ (1923-)
* 3. Eleanor Margaret ___ (1926-)
* 4. John Wilson _____ (1929-)

1.2.1.1.1.

Doris Marie Allemand (1914-), daughter of Arthur and Myrtle Rachel (Wilson) Allemand, was born 25 April 1914 at Tillsonburg, Ont. She went with her mother to Lapeer, Mich., in 1921 and graduated from the Lapeer high school in 1931. She trained as a nurse in Detroit Deaconess Hospital, graduating in 1934. In 1948 she resided at 3245 East Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

1.2.1.1.2.

Frances Rachel Taylor (1923-), daughter of Ira Ernest and Myrtle Rachel (Wilson) Taylor, was born 10 December 1923 at Lapeer, Mich. She graduated from the Lapeer high school in 1942 and on 15 October 1942 married Howard Congdon, son of Philip and Hattie Congdon. Howard was born 10 May 1920 at Flint, Mich. During World War II he served in Texas and in California from 5 February 1942 to 15 January 1946. He was a sergeant. After the war he taught in the Lapeer county schools.

Child

1. Howard Ernest, b. Jan. 7, 1947, at Flint, Mich.

1.2.1.1.3.

Eleanor Margaret Taylor (1926-), daughter of Ira Ernest and Myrtle Rachel (Wilson) Taylor, was born 17 July 1926 at Lapeer, Mich. She graduated from the Lapeer high

a. See Ira Ernest Taylor (1.2.3.3.).

school in 1944, trained as a nurse, and was employed as a nurse at the Lapeer State Home. In 1946 she resided at 100 Bentley Street, Lapeer, Mich.

1.2.1.1.4.

John Wilson Taylor (1929-), son of Ira Ernest and Myrtle Rachel (Wilson) Taylor, was born 27 June 1929 at Lapeer, Mich. He graduated from the Lapeer high school in June 1946 and in the autumn of that year enrolled in Central College, Mount Pleasant, Mich.

1.2.3.

Rachel Wilson (1856-1888), daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Taylor) Wilson, was born about 1856 on her father's farm in Middleton Township, Norfolk county, Ont.

About 1880 Rachel married Isaac Taylor.[a] They resided on a farm in Middleton township.[b] Four sons were born to

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a. Isaac Taylor was born in 1847, son of George (?) Taylor, who migrated from England and settled near Brantford at Onondaga, Brant county, Ont. He is said to have been buried at Farrington, near Brantford, but a search of the cemetery in 1948 failed to disclose a stone to mark his grave. A sister of George (?) Taylor married Peter Charlton of Lynedoch, Norfolk county, Ont. George (?) Taylor had seven children:

(1) John S. (born about 1844 and died at the age of 81), who lived first in Brant county, where he learned carpentry and became a barn builder, then removed to South Middleton, Norfolk county, Ont., where he died. He had 6 children, one of whom was John, born in 1872 in Brant county, who married Lillie McEown, farmed near South Middleton on his father's 50-acre farm, and died in 1936 in Tillsonburg, where his widow resided (1948).

(2) Joseph, who was born about 1846, died about 1909, and was buried at Lynedoch, Norfolk county, Ont.

(3) Isaac (see above).

(4) Margaret, who was born about 1849, married George Wells of Brantford, a gardener, and had no children.

(5) Walter.

(6) George.

(7) A daughter.

b. On April 2, 1888, the day Rachel died, the following deed was executed (recorded 18 April 1888): "For $500, Henry F. Robinson, farmer of Middleton, et ux, sold to Rachel Taylor, wife of Isaac Taylor, farmer of Middleton, the southerly 50 acres N½ of S½ of Lots 13 & 14, Con. 14, Walsingham."

Rachel died intestate, and in 1908 her four sons sold the farm to Joseph C. Charlton of Middleton for $500. The two eldest were described in the deed as dairymen of Chickasha, Grady county, Okla., and the two youngest as farmers of Lapeer, Mich.

the union. When her fourth son was two weeks old Rachel died of pneumonia. She was buried beside her mother in the Evergreen cemetery at Lynedoch, about five miles east of the village of South Middleton. Her body was removed to Tillsonburg, Ont., after the burial of her father in the Tillsonburg cemetery.

The four sons of Isaac and Rachel were kept by Rachel's brother Jesse until their father's marriage to Mary Ann Daboll of Lynedoch, by whom he had three children. In 1900 Mary and Isaac moved to Lapeer, Mich., taking with them Isaac's four sons by his first wife.

Isaac died 21 August 1904 at the age of 57, and his body was taken to Lynedoch for burial in the Evergreen cemetery. Mary later returned to Canada to live. She died 4 June 1934 at the age of 69 and was buried at Lynedoch.

Children

* 1. Samuel Charlton ____ (1881-)
* 2. John Wilson _____ (1883-1929)
* 3. Ira Ernest _____ (1885-1941)
* 4. Walter Isaac _____ (1888-1918)

1.2.3.1.

Samuel Charlton Taylor (1881-), eldest son of Isaac and Rachel (Wilson) Taylor, was born 29 August 1881 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. When he was 7 years old his mother died and until his father remarried he was kept by his mother's brother Jesse, who also resided in Middleton township. At the age of 19 he went to Michigan with his father, who settled on a farm near Lapeer. At the age of 21 Samuel went to Texas, where he worked at various jobs. He then went to Chickasha, Indian Territory,[a] where on 26 November 1906 he married Cora Elizann Farmer,[b] who

a. In 1907 Indian Territory was admitted to statehood and became Oklahoma.

b. Fourth child of Isaac Newton Farmer (1844-1929) and Cora Evelyn Tarwater, who was born 9 March 1863, daughter of William and Kathryn (King) Tarwater. Isaac Newton and Cora Evelyn (Tarwater) Farmer were married in 1879 at Fort Smith,

was born 3 June 1888 at Clark county, Wash.

In December 1912 Samuel with his wife and two daughters returned to Michigan. They resided at Lapeer until 1915 and then moved to a farm 4 miles to the west, where they were still residing in 1948. From 1927 Samuel was dairyman at the Lapeer State Home and Training School.

Children

* 1. Hester Rachel _____ (1908-1908)
* 2. Eva Mae _____ (1909-)
* 3. Berdie Velma _____ (1912-)
* 4. Walter Isaac _____ (1914-)
* 5. Wilson Carl _____ (1916-)
* 6. Howard Charlton ___ (1923-)
* 7. Ruth Elaine _____ (1927-)
8. Margaret Ann, b. Jan. 1, 1936, at Lapeer, Mich.

1.2.3.1.1.

Hester Rachel Taylor (1908-1908), eldest child of Samuel Charlton and Cora Elizann (Farmer) Taylor, was born 8 May 1908 at Chickasha, Okla. She died of smallpox 5 October 1908 and was buried at Chickasha, Okla.

1.2.3.1.2.

Eva Mae Taylor (1909-), daughter of Samuel Charlton and Cora Elizann (Farmer) Taylor, was born 17 October 1909 at Chickasha, Okla. In 1912 she went to Michigan with her parents. She attended Michigan State Teachers' College at Ypsilanti and in 1946 was teaching at Melvindale, a suburb of Detroit, with residence at 7820 Appoline, East Dearborn, Mich.

1.2.3.1.3.

Berdie Velma Taylor (1912-), daughter of Samuel Charlton and Cora Elizann (Farmer) Taylor, was born 10 September 1912 at Tecumseh, Okla. In 1912 she went to

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Ark. They removed to Washington State, where they resided 12 years; to Cooke county, Tex., in 1896; and later to Indian Territory (now Oklahoma).

Michigan with her parents and graduated from the Lapeer high school in 1930. She was employed by the Consumers' Power Company for three years.

On 6 October 1933 Berdie Velma married Richard Aldin Burdette Larson, eldest son of Oscar and Inga Larson. They lived at Flint, Mich., until November 1938, when they bought a farm three miles northwest of Lapeer, at 3378 Reamer Road, on which farm they were residing in 1946. They had no children.

1.2.3.1.4.

Walter Isaac Taylor (1914-), son of Samuel Charlton and Cora Elizann (Farmer) Taylor, was born 2 July 1914 at Lapeer, Mich. He received his education in the schools of Lapeer, after which he worked on his father's farm and later with the Buick Motor Company in Flint, Mich. During the early part of World War II he went to Chicago, where he was engaged in civilian defense work.

On 18 May 1940 Walter Isaac married Theresa Ciosek, third child of Joseph and Kathryn Ciosek. After his return from Chicago he was engaged in farming and stock raising, with residence at 4589 Merwin Road, Lapeer, Mich.

Children

1. Theresa Marie, b. March 16, 1941, at Lapeer, Mich.
2. Mary Ann, b. Sept. 21, 1942, at Lapeer, Mich.
3. Walter Isaac, b. March 13, 1944, at Lapeer, Mich.
4. Samuel Joseph, b. May 7, 1945, at Lapeer, Mich.

1.2.3.1.5.

Wilson Carl Taylor (1916-), son of Samuel Charlton and Cora Elizann (Farmer) Taylor, was born 9 August 1916 at Lapeer, Mich. He grew up on his father's farm west of Lapeer and attended the Lapeer high school. In 1946 he was employed at the Lapeer Metal Products Company and was building a home west of Lapeer on Davison Road.

On 19 August 1937 Wilson Carl married Charlotte Ellen Jones, third child of Herbert and May Jones.

Child

1. Wilson Carl, Jr., b. March 10, 1941, at Lapeer, Mich.

1.2.3.1.6.

Howard Charlton Taylor (1923-), son of Samuel Charlton and Cora Elizann (Farmer) Taylor, was born 13 December 1923 at Lapeer, Mich. He grew up on his father's farm west of Lapeer and attended the Lapeer high school. On 4 March 1944 he married Lois Lee Horton, fifth child of Otis and Bessie Horton. Howard worked on his father's farm until December 1945. In March 1946 he joined the United States Army and trained at Fort Jackson, S. C.

1.2.3.1.7.

Ruth Elaine Taylor (1927-), daughter of Samuel Charlton and Cora Elizann (Farmer) Taylor, was born 26 September 1927 at Lapeer, Mich. She graduated from Lapeer high school in June 1945 and was employed as receptionist in the office of Drs. Zemmer & Dorland.

On 6 April 1947 Ruth married Creighton Richard Broecker, son of Walter and Sylvia Broecker of Metamora, Mich. Creighton and Ruth resided at Lapeer, Creighton being employed as a butcher at the Lapeer State Home.

1.2.3.2.

John Wilson Taylor (1883-1929), son of Isaac and Rachel (Wilson) Taylor, was born 19 June 1883 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. He was about five years old when his mother died, and until his father remarried he was kept by his mother's brother Jesse, who also resided in Middleton township. At the age of 17 he went to Michigan with his father, who settled on a farm near Lapeer, and on this farm John worked until the death of his father in 1904. In 1908 he went to Oklahoma and spent some time with his brother Samuel, returning to Michigan in 1911. From 1915 to 1921 he worked with his brother Samuel on the latter's farm west of Lapeer.

On 28 December 1921 John married Mary (Pearce) Evans, sixth child of Henry and Eliza Pearce, who came from England. Mary had one daughter, Ruth Evans, by her former marriage to Merton Evans. John and Mary bought

a farm in Elba township, Lapeer county, Mich., where they resided until John died, of diabetes, 25 March 1929. They had no children. After John's death Mary resided at Detroit with her daughter.

1.2.3.3.

Ira Ernest Taylor (1885-1941), son of Isaac and Rachel (Wilson) Taylor, was born 26 January 1885 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. When he was three years old his mother died, and until his father remarried he was sheltered in the home of his mother's brother Jesse, who also resided in Middleton township. In March 1900 he went to Michigan with his father, who settled on a farm near Lapeer. For a time he worked for a farm implement firm, and for 17 years was steamfitter and plumber at the Lapeer State Home and Training School.

On 4 April 1921 at Lapeer, Mich., Ira married his cousin Myrtle Rachel (Wilson) Allemand, daughter of John Alexander and Margaret (McKim) Wilson, of Tillsonburg, Ont. On 12 November 1941 Ira was killed in a train accident. He was buried at Lapeer. His widow resided (1948) at 100 Bentley Street, Lapeer, Mich.

Children[a]

* 1. Frances Rachel _____ (1923-)
* 2. Eleanor Margaret ___ (1926-)
* 3. John Wilson _____ (1929-)

1.2.3.4.

Walter Isaac Taylor (1888-1918), son of Ira and Rachel (Wilson) Taylor, was born 15 March 1888 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. When he was two weeks old his mother died of pneumonia. Until his father remarried he was sheltered in the home of his mother's brother Jesse, who also resided in Middleton township.

In March 1900 when Walter was about 12 years old he went to Michigan with his father, who settled on a farm near

a. Sketches of these three children follow that of Myrtle Rachel Wilson (1.2.1.1.).

Lapeer. In 1904 his father died, and his stepmother returned to Canada, but Walter remained in Lapeer. He took one trip to Oklahoma to visit his eldest brother, Samuel, but most of his life was spent around Lapeer working at farming and threshing.

During World War I on 19 September 1917 Walter was inducted into the military service of the United States, under serial number 262344. He sailed for foreign service 9 February 1918 and was killed in the battle of the Marne 31 July 1918 while serving with Company E, 125th Infantry. After peace came his body was brought back to Lapeer, Mich., and was buried in Mount Hope cemetery. He was not married.

1.2.4.

Jesse Wilson (1858-1922), son of Samuel and Sarah (Taylor) Wilson, was born 30 November 1858 on his father's farm in Middleton township near the village of South Middleton, Ont. Jesse worked at carpentry, learned the blacksmith's trade, and had a blacksmith's shop on his father's farm. He married his cousin Ann McCausland, who was born in 1854, daughter of William and Sarah[a] (Wilson) McCausland of Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont.

About 1894 Jesse bought a blacksmith's shop at Culloden, Oxford county, Ont., and in 1904 traded the shop and lot for 125 acres of land, Lots 27 & 28, Con. 8, Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont., this farm being near Culloden.

Besides raising their own children, Jesse and Ann kept the four sons of Jesse's sister, Rachel (Wilson) Taylor, after the death of Rachel until the father of the boys married again. Jesse and Ann also raised four grandchildren after the death in 1918 of their mother, Sarah (Wilson) Mitchell.

Jesse died 18 January 1922 on the farm in Dereham, in his 64th year. He was buried at Delmer, Oxford county. Ann

a. Sarah (Wilson) McCausland was second daughter of John and Jane (Craig) Wilson. See Appendix 11—Wilson Family.

continued to reside on the Dereham farm with her son Charles Alexander until her death in January 1929. She was buried beside her husband in the Delmer cemetery.

Children

* 1. Sarah _____ (1883-1918)
* 2. Lucy _____ (1885-)
* 3. Charles Alexander __ (1890-)
* 4. Jasper David _____ (1895-)

1.2.4.1.

Sarah Wilson (1883-1918), daughter of Jesse and Ann (McCausland) Wilson, was born 22 June 1883 on her father's farm in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont., and resided with her parents in Middleton and in Culloden, where she married George Mitchell, farmer of Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont. On 23 September 1918 at the age of 35 years, 3 months, and 1 day, Sarah died. She was buried at Delmer, Oxford county, Ont.

The four children of George and Sarah (Wilson) Mitchell were raised by Sarah's parents, Jesse and Ann Wilson, until they were able to care for themselves. George Mitchell, who married a second and a third time, suffered the loss of his farm, after which he worked for other farmers and (1946) was in the employ of a seed merchant in Norwich, Ont.

Children

* 1. John Bruce _____ (ca. 1906-)
* 2. Jessie Margaret _ (1909-1922)
* 3. George Wilson __ (ca. 1912-)
* 4. Charles Arthur __ (1916-)

1.2.4.1.1.

John Bruce Mitchell (1906-), son of George and Sarah (Wilson) Mitchell, was born about 1906 on his father's farm in Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont.

When John was about 12 years old his mother died, the home was broken up, and he and his sister and two brothers were taken to the farm home of their grandparents, Jesse and Ann Wilson, in Dereham township near the village of Culloden, Ont.

When John was 14 years of age, instead of going to school as usual, one day he boarded a train and went to the Canadian West. This was in 1920. In 1945 he made his first visit back to the old farm in Dereham. In the intervening 25 years he had homesteaded land in the West and had worked in lumber camps in British Columbia. He served in World War II in a Forestry Division, spending the greater part of his service period of 20 February 1941 to 20 November 1944 in Scotland. In 1945 he was with his brother Wilson on the latter's farm near Jarvis, Ont., but returned to British Columbia and (1948) resided at Prince George.

1.2.4.1.2.

Jessie Margaret Mitchell (1909-1922), daughter of George and Sarah (Wilson) Mitchell, was born on her father's farm in Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont.

When Jessie was nine years old her mother died, the home was broken up, and she and her three brothers were taken to the home of their grandparents, Jesse and Ann Wilson, in Dereham township, near the village of Culloden, Ont.

Jessie died in her 14th year, 1 December 1922. She was buried at Delmer, Oxford county, Ont.

1.2.4.1.3.

George Wilson Mitchell (1912-), son of George and Sarah (Wilson) Mitchell, was born on his father's farm in Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont.

When Wilson was six years old his mother died, the home was broken up, and he, with his sister and two brothers, was taken to the home of his grandparents, Jesse and Ann Wilson, in Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont. He later lived with his uncle, Jasper David Wilson, then a farmer of Corinth, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont. He was in the Canadian West for one year, and for several years worked at farming near Waterford, Norfolk county, Ont. He then bought a farm near Jarvis, Haldimand county, Ont., where he raised wheat and garden crops.

In 1938 Wilson married Ann Onifrichuk, daughter of George Onifrichuk. In 1948 his address was R. R. No. 3, Waterford, Ont.

Children

1. William George _____ (1939-)
2. Barbara Jean _____ (1942-)
3. Sandra Ann _____ (1947-)

1.2.4.1.4.

Charles Arthur Mitchell (1916-), son of George and Sarah (Wilson) Mitchell, was born 27 October 1916 on his father's farm in Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont.

When Charles was two years old his mother died, and he was raised by his grandparents, Jesse and Ann Wilson, on their farm in Dereham township near Culloden.

Charles served both in Canada and overseas during World War II in the Royal Canadian Air Force. He enlisted 26 September 1940 and was discharged 19 October 1945, having attained the rank of corporal. His serial number was R-75572.

On 27 October 1945 Charles married Ellen Wains, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wains of Port Colborne, Welland county, Ont., where (1948) Charles was working in a cement plant. They had no children.

1.2.4.2.

Lucy Wilson (1885-), daughter of Jesse and Ann (McCausland) Wilson, was born 9 July 1885 on her father's farm in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont., and resided with her parents in Middleton, in Courtland, in Culloden, and in Dereham township.

On 12 November 1918 at Woodstock, Ont., Lucy married, as his second wife, Henry Greenwood Cohen,[a] farmer of Oxford county, near Burgessville, Ont. Henry was born 4 February 1875, son of Solomon G. Cohen of Sutton, Surrey,

a. Henry Greenwood Cohen had married (1) Mary Jane Jamieson, who died leaving two children: Roy Francis, born 10 January 1896, and Mabel Thelma, born 5 January 1907.

England. In April 1948 Henry, with his son, Roy Francis, bought a 100-acre farm near Culloden, Dereham township, Oxford county, and on this farm the two families resided. Lucy had no children.

1.2.4.3.

Charles Alexander Wilson (1890-), son of Jesse and Ann (McCausland) Wilson, was born 3 July 1890 on his father's farm in Middleton township and resided with his parents in Middleton, in Courtland, in Culloden, and on the 125-acre farm in Dereham township, Oxford county, Lots 27 & 28, Con. 8, which he inherited on the death of his father.

As his father grew older, Charles gradually took over the working of the farm. He also assumed responsibility for the four children of his sister, Sarah, on the latter's death in 1918, until they were able to care for themselves. Charles learned from his father the trade of blacksmith but for the better part of his life was a farmer. He was a member of the United church at Culloden.

1.2.4.4.

Jasper David Wilson (1896-), son of Jesse and Ann (McCausland) Wilson, was born 19 February 1896 at Culloden, Ont., where his father was a blacksmith and, later, a farmer near Culloden.

On 29 September 1923 at Springfield, Ont., Jasper married Mabel, daughter of Michael Benjamin Neureuther of Welland, Ont., and adopted daughter of James Greer of Springford, Oxford county, Ont. · Jasper farmed near Corinth, Elgin county, Ont., and in 1947 was employed in a feed mill at Tillsonburg, with residence at Ostrander, Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson adopted a daughter, Marjorie Elaine, who was born 3 December 1928. They were members of the United Church of Canada.

Children

1. Donald Michael, b. Apr. 9, 1932
2. Charles Frederick, b. Oct. 27, 1936
3. John David, b. June 10, 1939
4. Howard Larry, b. Jan. 21, 1942

MARY ANN TAYLOR

1.3.

MARY ANN TAYLOR (1825-1894), daughter of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born in England 14 June 1825. She was baptised 7 August 1825 in the Church of England at Highway, Wiltshire. With her parents she went in 1842 to Canada, and with them resided at Forestville, Norfolk county, Ont., where her father was a carpenter and wagon maker.

About the year 1844 Mary Ann married Charles Louks,[a] who was born 31 August 1818 at Highgate, Vt. On 10 January 1849 Charles bought for £50 a 50-acre farm,[b] the southeast quarter of Lot 8, Con. 3, three miles southwest of Walsing-

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a. The family of du Laux is one of the most ancient families in France. All families by the name of Loucks in America are of French Hugenot ancestry and all trace their origin to the band of Palatines who fled from the lower Rhine district in 1709 and 1710 and settled in the Hudson Valley. In all there were 9 emigrant Loucks families in America in 1710. The name is spelled in various ways but all belong to the one family. Some of the variants of the name are: Laux, Loux, Lauck, Laucks, Louks, Loucks, Locks, Louck, Loeck, and Locke. See *Genealogy of the Loucks Family*, 1940, by Edwin Merton McBrier.

The Palatinate mentioned by Mr. McBrier as having been the original home of the Loucks family is a territory of about 3,000 square miles on the west side of the Rhine which, until it became a part of Bavaria in 1777, existed as a separate state from the 10th century A.D. Besides its former capital, Heidelberg, its cities include Mainz, Mannheim, Worms, and Speyer.

A center of the Protestant faith and a refuge for French Huguenots from persecution after the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes by King Louis XIV of France in 1685, it came under the rule of a Catholic prince in 1690. In 1709 a mass emigration of Protestants took place down the Rhine bound for Holland, England, and, if possible, America. The way had been shown the previous year when 52 Palatines, led by their Lutheran pastor, made their way to England and were settled in New York Province at the present site of Newburgh. About 2,730 more refugees from the Palatinate arrived in New York Province in 1710.

b. Charles Louks, described as yeoman of Walsingham, purchased this farm from Andrew Thornton Todd, formerly of Brecana Castle, County Donegal, Ireland, and then of

ham Centre in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont., the entrance to the farm being from the 4th concession.

Mr. Louks was a Methodist, very loyal to his church. He was a thrifty and well-to-do farmer. He was short in stature. Mary Ann was a large woman, fair in complexion.[c]

Charles died[d] 27 January 1894 and was survived by his widow, who died 14 August of the same year. They were buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery at Walsingham Centre.

Children

* 1. Annie _____ (ca. 1845- ?)
* 2. James _____ (ca. 1848- ?)
* 3. John Weseley ___ (1851-1933)
* 4. Lorenza _____ (ca. 1853- ?)
* 5. Jonah _____ (ca. 1857-1930)
* 6. Etta _____ (ca. 1859- ?)
* 7. Almira _____ (1864-1929)
* 8. Emma _____ (1870-1923)

1.3.1.

Annie Louks (1845- ?), daughter of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks, was born about 1845 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. She married Thomas Wilson.

Toronto, Ont. The registration was dated 9 March 1849 and the witness was Jeremiah Louks, who bought the southwest quarter of the same lot on the same day Charles purchased his 50 acres.

Charles appears to have leased part of Lot 9, Con. 3, adjoining his own lot, since the agricultural census of 1852 lists him as residing on Lot 9 and holding 150 acres, 80 under cultivation and 70 wild or wooded. In that year his land produced: 40 bu. barley, 140 bu. oats, 50 bu. wheat, 60 bu. potatoes, 20 tons hay, 30 lbs. wool, 150 bu. cabbages, 60 lbs. maple sugar, 12 yds. of fulled cloth, and 28 yds. of flannel.

c. Reported to author in September 1947 by the late Rev. George Neal Hazen of London, Ont.

d. By his will, dated 6 December 1890 and probated 15 March 1894, Charles Louks devised his farm to his son Jonah, he to support Mary Ann, the widow, during her life and his sister Lorenza as long as she saw fit to live with him. If Lorenza elected to leave, she was to get a bed and bedding and a cow. All the personal property went to the widow and Jonah. The executors were Jonah and Charles's brother Jacob.

They resided on a farm in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont., and later at Port Huron, Mich. They had children:[a] Burleigh, Thomas, Charles, Sarah, Almira, and Stanley.

1.3.2.

James Louks (1848- ?), eldest son of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks, was born about 1848 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. He married Phoebe ——— and had a large family. They resided near Reese, Mich.

1.3.3.

John Weseley Louks (1851-1933), son of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks, was born 24 August 1851 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. He was a cabinet maker. He married Ida May Layman,[a] who was born 30 January 1861 at Port Rowan, Norfolk county, Ont. They resided at Walsingham Centre, at Leamington, and at Kingsville, Ont.; at Reese and at Vassar, Mich.; at Tillsonburg and at Walkerville, Ont. Mr. Louks died 21 January 1933 and Mrs. Louks was killed by an automobile 22 December 1946 in Walkerville, Ont. Both were buried at Kingsville, Ont.

Children

* 1. LeRoy _____ (1887-)
* 2. Percy Leon _____ (1890-)

1.3.3.1.

LeRoy Louks (1887-), son of John Weseley and Ida May (Layman) Louks, was born 14 November 1887 at Walsingham Centre, Norfolk county, Ont. He graduated from the Ontario College of Pharmacy in 1910 and spent many years as a druggist in Toronto, Ont., where in 1948 he was partner in Hooper's Avenue Road drug store.

a. Of these children, Charles married and had five children, one of whom, Hazel, following her mother's death, was raised by her father's sister, Sarah Kelly; Sarah married (1) —— Kelly, druggist of East Tawas, Mich., and kept the drug store after her first husband's death and until she remarried; Almira married; and Stanley was in the furniture business in Port Huron, Mich.

a. Youngest daughter of William E. Layman (1816-1888), who was born at Schoharie, N. Y., and who married in 1837 Cornelia Myers (1817-1890). Ida May was cousin of Sidney Layman of Langton, Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont., whose daughter Florence married David Andrew Langfield (see Eva Pearl Wheeler 1.3.8.1.).

On 27 June 1917 he married Olive May Coutie, who was born 21 November 1891, daughter of Neil and Emma Louise (Ross) Coutie of Toronto.

Children

* 1. Frances May Louise _ (1920-)
* 2. Ross LeRoy _____ (1924-)
* 3. Joan Helen _____ (1926-)

1.3.3.1.1.

Frances May Louise Louks (1920-), daughter of LeRoy and Olive May (Coutie) Louks, was born 10 May 1920 at Toronto, Ont. She graduated from Trinity College in 1942 with the degree of B.A., and 3 November 1944 married Roy Vincent Jackson, son of Walter and Ethel Jackson of British Columbia. Roy graduated in law from McGill University in 1948 and in the same year went to Toronto where he was connected with a firm of patent lawyers.

1.3.3.1.2.

Ross LeRoy Louks (1924-), son of LeRoy and Olive May (Coutie) Louks, was born 4 October 1924 at Toronto, Ont. In 1948 he was a student in a private school in Toronto and living at home.

1.3.3.1.3.

Joan Helen Louks (1926-), daughter of LeRoy and Olive May (Coutie) Louks, was born 27 June 1926 at Toronto, Ont. She graduated from St. Clement's private school and on 18 April 1944 married Jack Lane McAlpin, son of Wilfred and Mary McAlpin of Toronto. In 1948 Jack was a student of accountancy.

Child

1. James Ross, b. June 1, 1946

1.3.3.2.

Percy Leon Louks (1890-), son of John Weseley and Ida May (Layman) Louks, was born 7 April 1890 at Walsingham Centre, Norfolk county, Ont. On 26 October 1925 he married Mabel Alice Wright, who was born at Thornton, Simcoe county, Ont., daughter of William and Mary Jane

(Martin) Wright of Stroud, Simcoe county. They resided at Walkerville and at Windsor, Ont., and, from 1942, at South Bend, Ind., where (1948) Mr. Louks was assistant treasurer of the Studebaker Corporation. Mrs. Louks was a member of the National P. E. O. Sisterhood.

Children

* 1. Mary Eleanor _____ (1928-)
* 2. Lois Elaine _____ (1930-)

1.3.3.2.1.

Mary Eleanor Louks (1928-), daughter of Percy Leon and Mabel Alice (Wright) Louks, was born 15 March 1928 at Walkerville, Ont. In 1948 she was a 4th-year student at the Kansas City Art Institute and School of Design at Kansas City, Mo.

1.3.3.2.2.

Lois Elaine Louks (1930-), daughter of Percy Leon and Mabel Alice (Wright) Louks, was born 9 September 1930 at Walkerville, Ont. In 1948 she was a sophomore student at DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind., and a member of Alpha Omicron Pi National Sorority.

1.3.4.

Lorenza Louks (1853- ?), daughter of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks, was born about 1853 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. She grew up on her father's farm on the 3rd concession of Walsingham and, by her father's will, which left the farm to his son Jonah, Lorenza was to be supported by her brother as long as she cared to live with him. She, however, relinquished her claim on the farm, which was sold by Jonah in 1909, and spent the rest of her life with her sisters. She died unmarried.

1.3.5.

Jonah Louks (1857-1930), son of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks, was born about 1857 in Walsingham town-

ship, Norfolk county, Ont. In 1887 he married Jane Harris, who was born about 1858, daughter of Moses Marshall Harris,[a] hotelkeeper of Forestville, Norfolk county, Ont.

Jonah inherited his father's farm, the southeast quarter of Lot 8, Con. 3, South Walsingham, which farm he sold 14 December 1909 to John L. Buck for $1,800. He then worked in Welland in a carbide factory. He lived near Dunnville, Haldimand county, for a time, then farmed near Delhi, Ont., until his death in 1930. He was buried at Delhi. His wife survived him. She went to Tillsonburg, Ont., after her husband's death and lived with her sister, Electa (Harris) Gee, wife of Ira E. Gee, carpenter of Tillsonburg, where she died in 1932. They had no children.

1.3.6.

Etta Louks (1859- ?), daughter of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks, was born about 1859 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. She married, and resided in Michigan.

1.3.7.

Almira Louks (1864-1929), daughter of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks, was born 13 March 1864 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 30 Novem-

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a. Moses Marshall Harris was born at Smithville, Lincoln county, Ont., 1 July 1817. He was of Welsh ancestry and was of the Universalist faith. His wife, Avelina White, was a Baptist. She was born in 1829 in Canada.

Mr. Harris was a blacksmith in Charlotteville township, Norfolk county, in 1852; a foundryman in Walsingham township in 1861; a farmer in Walsingham in 1871; and later he was a hotelkeeper in Forestville, Ont.

Mr. Harris died in Tillsonburg and his body was returned to Forestville for interment. He had children, among whom were: Peter, who was born in 1844; Clarissa, who was born in 1854; Jane, who was born in 1858; Philora, who was born in 1860; Warren, who was born in 1863; and Electa, who was born in 1867. (See census records in Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.)

Three of the children of Mr. Harris married cousins: Jane Harris married Jonah, son of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks (1.3.5.); Warren Harris married Nellie, daughter of James Taylor (1.5.3.); and Electa Harris married Ira Emerson Gee, son of Charles and Jane (Taylor) Gee (1.8.1.).

ber 1881 at Walsingham Centre she married Eugene Hazen[a] of Walsingham township and they resided on the Hazen homestead on the 5th concession of Walsingham township near Walsingham Centre. Almira died 1 June 1929 and Eugene died 15 September 1936. Both were buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery at Walsingham Centre.

Children

* 1. Arthur Clifford ____ (1887-)
* 2. Charles Stewart ____ (1892-)
* 3. Edith Marjorie _____ (1896-)
* 4. J. Grant _____ (1900-)
* 5. Winston Eugene ____ (1910-)

1.3.7.1.

Arthur Clifford Hazen (1887-), son of Eugene and Almira (Louks) Hazen, was born 18 May 1887 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. He was principal of the high school in Port Rowan, Ont. He married Helen Burch, daughter of Angus Burch, farmer of Vittoria, Norfolk county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Neal Anderson _____ (1919-)
* 2. Margaret _____ (1922-)

1.3.7.1.1.

Neal Anderson Hazen (1919-), son of Arthur Clifford and Helen (Burch) Hazen, was born 6 January 1919 at Seaforth, Huron county, Ont. He graduated in 1940 from Trinity College, London, Eng. He taught school at Belwood, Wellington county, Ont., and (1948) was instructor of music in secondary schools in the Delhi area of Norfolk county, Ont. He married Margaret Brett, who was born 19 March 1923 at Fergus, Wellington county, Ont. She was daughter of Philip Brett, farmer, of Belwood, now (1948) retired and living in Burlington, Ont., and his wife, Mabel Olmsted, daughter of Jacob and Catharine Olmsted.

Child

1. Paul, b. Feb. 17, 1945, at Guelph, Ont.

a. Born 14 January 1854, son of John Wesley Hazen of Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. See Appendix 8—Hazen Family.

1.3.7.1.2.

Margaret Hazen (1922-), daughter of Arthur Clifford and Helen (Burch) Hazen, was born 1 March 1922 at Seaforth, Huron county, Ont. On 8 June 1946 she married Ellwood Hunt, who was born 1 November 1917 at Dundas, Wentworth county, Ont. He was son of Robert Hunt, farmer, of Dundas, and his wife, Margaret Taylor. Ellwood farmed near Dundas, Ont.

Child

1. Douglas Robert, b. May 4, 1947, at Hamilton, Ont.

1.3.7.2.

Charles Stewart Hazen (1892-), son of Eugene and Almira (Louks) Hazen, was born 17 June 1892 in Walsingham twp., Norfolk co., Ont. Stewart taught school until 1922, was in the insurance business a number of years, and from November 1942 was connected with the Kresge Company, Ltd., in Hamilton, Ont., with residence at Ancaster. On 12 August 1914 he married Nina Price[a] of Forestville, Ont.

Child

* 1. Paul Price _____ (1920-)

1.3.7.2.1.

Paul Price Hazen (1920-), son of Charles Stewart and Nina (Price) Hazen, was born 3 January 1920. Beginning in 1942 he was employed as bookkeeper by the Hamilton-Owen Sound Transport Company of Hamilton, Ont.

1.3.7.3.

Edith Marjorie Hazen (1896-), daughter of Eugene and Almira (Louks) Hazen, was born 31 October 1896 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. After three years at the Port Rowan high school, Marjorie attended normal school in Hamilton, 1914-15. There she met Dana LeRoy

a. Born 1890, daughter of James Edgar Price (1850-1914) and Amert Thompson. James Edgar Price was son of Thomas C. Price (1811-1871) and Rebecca Jane Woodruff (1818-1898), and grandson of Thomas Price (1777-1836) and Frances Montross (1784-1859), of Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont.

Wilson,[a] who was attending normal school at the same time. Marjorie taught in the Hazen Settlement school for two years before her marriage to Dana, who was born at Delhi, Norfolk county, 25 March 1895. In 1948 both were teaching school in the Delhi area and resided on the Wilson homestead one mile south of Delhi, Ont.

Children

* 1. Marion _____ (1923-)
2. Joan, b. Oct. 30, 1931
3. Gene, b. Oct. 30, 1931

1.3.7.3.1.

Marion Wilson (1923-), daughter of Dana and Edith Marjorie (Hazen) Wilson, was born 25 October 1923 at Delhi, Norfolk county, Ont. On 25 August 1945 she married Bruce Hossack, farmer, who resided near Ancaster, Ont.

Child

1. Alan Robert, b. Aug. 14, 1947

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a. Dana was son of Samuel Edgar Wilson, farmer and storekeeper, who was born 10 October 1845 at Attercliffe, Haldimand county, Ont., and died 9 February 1929, and his wife, Rosa Maria Dafoot. Samuel Edgar was son of Daniel Wilson, who was born 9 September 1816 and died 29 April 1897 at Delhi, and grandson of United Empire Loyalist ——— Wilson of Connecticut, who, after the Revolutionary War, migrated to Canada, crossing on the ice from Oswego to Kingston.

Rosa Maria Dafoot, daughter of Peter Carpenter Dafoot, was born 17 April 1851 near Toledo, Ohio. She received a musical education at Detroit, Mich. On 22 October 1872 she married Samuel Edgar Wilson and they went by stage-coach to Fredericksburg (renamed Delhi after the Grand Trunk Railway went through, about 1880), where they resided on the original Wilson land grant. In the succeeding years she achieved a high reputation as church organist and music teacher. Rosa's great-grandfather, born in Pennsylvania to parents whose name is believed to have been Dafoe, when very young was found crying in the grass after Indians had killed his parents and the other children in the family. He was brought up by a German family who, though living four miles away, were the nearest neighbors in that sparsely settled region. The name Dafoe is believed to have been corrupted to Dafoot when the child's teacher so transliterated the name as pronounced by his German foster-parents. In his later years he established contact with relatives by the name of Dafoe, who had settled around the Bay of Quinte, an arm of Lake Ontario.

Peter Carpenter Dafoot was born 14 January 1816 and died August 1909 at the age of 92. He was a Baptist, the first home missionary in the State of Michigan. He married 9 April 1850 Rosina Lyon, teacher of languages at Mt. Holyoke College and founder of Fenton Seminary at Fenton, Mich. They had two daughters, Caroline and Rosa Maria.

Rosina Lyon, wife of Peter Carpenter Dafoot, was born 6 October 1823 and died 26 August 1869. She was daughter of Aaron Lyon, brother of Mary Lyon, who founded Mt. Holyoke Seminary, now Mt. Holyoke College. Aaron Lyon resided at

1.3.7.4.

J. Grant Hazen (1900-), son of Eugene and Almira (Louks) Hazen, was born 2 February 1900 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. He graduated from Queen's University in 1931 with the degree of B. A., and from the University of Toronto in 1939 with the degree of B. Paed., all of his degree work having been taken in summer sessions. On 28 June 1933 he married Grace Eleanor Gastle, daughter of William and Margaret (Webb) Gastle, of Hamilton, Ont. She was born 13 August 1902. She attended normal school in Hamilton 1920-21, took a kindergarten director's course in Hamilton Normal School, taught kindergarten for two summers, and for three years was on the staff of the summer Normal School. In 1946 Grant was principal of a public school in Hamilton, Ont. They had no children.

1.3.7.5.

Winston Eugene Hazen (1910-), son of Eugene and Almira (Louks) Hazen, was born 27 May 1910 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. He resided on part of the Hazen homestead on the 5th concession in the township of Walsingham, about 1½ miles from Walsingham Centre. On 22 March 1939 he married Margaret, daughter of Wallace and Margaret Calder of Walsingham township.

Child

1. Betty Jane, b. Jan. 2, 1942

1.3.8.

Emma Louks (1870-1923), daughter of Charles and Mary Ann (Taylor) Louks, was born 13 September 1870 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 31 October 1888 she married Albert Harrison Wheeler,[a] farmer, of Walsingham township, who was born 15 March 1867. They resided on a farm two miles northeast of Walsingham Centre. Besides

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Stockton, Chautauqua county, N. Y., and was seventh in line of descent from John and Priscilla Alden of the Plymouth Colony. *Source:* Dana LeRoy Wilson of Delhi, Ont.

a. Son of Henry Wheeler (1831-1917) and Hannah H. Brandow (1838-1888) of Walsingham, both of whom were buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery at Walsingham Centre.

farming, Mr. Wheeler operated a creamery. Later he had a grocery in Tillsonburg, Ont.

Emma died 10 March 1923 and Harrison died 20 January 1942. Both were buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery at Walsingham Centre.

Children

* 1. Eva Pearl _____ (1891-1945)
* 2. Wray _____ (1893-1918)

1.3.8.1.

Eva Pearl Wheeler (1891-1945), daughter of Albert Harrison and Emma (Louks) Wheeler, was born 16 April 1891. She married David Andrew Langfield, farmer, who was born 18 August 1884 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont., son of John Langfield.

Eva died 15 January 1945 and was buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery at Walsingham Centre.

On 25 December 1945 David married (2) Florence Layman.[a] In 1947 they were residing on his farm on the 8th concession, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont.

Children

1. Lela, born 1911, died soon after birth
2. Lulu, twin of Lela, died soon after birth
* 3. Cecil Harvey _____ (1913-)
* 4. Clifford David _____ (1917-)
* 5. Hazel May _____ (1920-)

1.3.8.1.3.

Cecil Harvey Langfield (1913-), son of David Andrew and Eva Pearl (Wheeler) Langfield, was born 28 March 1914. He married Hazel Palmer, daughter of Isaac Palmer, who was born in Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont., and Clytie (Snively) Palmer, who was born in Wallacetown, Elgin county, Ont., residents (1948) of Straffordville,

a. Daughter of Sidney Layman of Langton, Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. She was cousin of Ida May Layman, who married John Weseley Louks (1.3.3.).

Elgin county, Ont. Cecil and Hazel resided on Lot 8, Con. 8, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont.

Children

1. Glen, b. Oct. 7, 1934
2. Gwenda, b. Oct. 20, 1935
3. Dianne, b. Nov. 7, 1944

1.3.8.1.4.

Clifford David Langfield (1917-), son of David Andrew and Eva Pearl (Wheeler) Langfield, was born 26 March 1917. He married Eunice Scott of Mount Elgin, Oxford county, Ont., daughter of Harry Scott of Delmer, Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont., and Lillian Phyllips, who was born in Plymouth, England. Clifford in 1948 was employed in the Tillsonburg foundry and resided on North Broadway, Tillsonburg, Ont.

1.3.8.1.5.

Hazel May Langfield (1920-), daughter of David Andrew and Eva Pearl (Wheeler) Langfield, was born 7 November 1920. On 10 December 1938 at Richmond in the county of Elgin, Ont., Hazel married Clarence Orville Jenereaul, who was born 4 December 1910, son of Ross Jenereaul. Clarence was raised by his grandparents, Martin and Priscilla Purdy of Springfield, Elgin county, Ont. Clarence in 1947 was a farmer on the 8th concession, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont.

Children

1. George Martin, b. July 14, 1940; d. July 28, 1940
2. Eva Marlene, b. Jan. 27, 1942
3. William David, b. Jan. 9, 1945

1.3.8.2.

Wray Wheeler (1893-1918), son of Harrison and Emma (Louks) Wheeler, was born in 1893 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. When he was about 17 or 18 years old he lost his arm in a corncutter accident. He died, unmarried, in 1918 at Simcoe, Ont., and was buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery, Walsingham Centre, Ont.

JOHN TAYLOR

1.4.

JOHN TAYLOR (1827-1902), son of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born 2 March 1827 at Highway, Wiltshire, England, and was baptized in the Church of England 1 April 1827. In 1842 he went from England to Canada with his parents. With his 13-year-old brother, James, he remained at Kingston, Ont., while the rest of the family, after a short stay in Kingston, proceeded westward to Forestville, Norfolk county. He got a job on a Lake boat, and his brother James was bound out to a brewer. The boys were treated badly by their employers, receiving poor food, few comforts, and little pay. It is said that they did not know how to write and that the employers would write reassuringly to the parents about them. At the end of two years the boys ran away and went by boat to Hamilton, from which point they walked the remaining 50 or more miles to Forestville, south of Simcoe, Norfolk county, Ont. It is significant that John in later years referred to his having come to Canada at the age of 17, the year of his reunion with his parents in Forestville.

In the course of their 50-mile walk the boys stopped overnight at an inn, over the protest of one who did not want to stop because there were colored people there. They asked the proprietor how far it was to Simcoe and to their great joy the proprietor replied "This is Simcoe". When they got home they were told that their mother the night before had seen them in a dream walking in with their possessions carried on sticks slung over their shoulders, in the manner in which they actually did arrive.

John went to school in Canada for three winters, two months at a time. He read a great deal, and was described as rather a silent man and very religious. He had a kindly disposition and a keen sense of humor.

John spent his adult life farming in Norfolk county. On

3 October 1855 he married Mary Ann Backhouse.[a] The ceremony was performed by Rev. Matthew Swann, minister of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada. Mary Ann was born in 1830, daughter of William and Hannah (McMichael)[b] Backhouse, who resided on Lot 23, Con. 2, Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont.

John farmed, successively, in Walsingham township; in Woodhouse township, where his four children were born; and was on a farm near Vittoria, where the grasshoppers for three years in succession destroyed his crops. About 1890 he moved to a farm in Lynn Valley near Simcoe, and lived there until 1895. In that year his daughter, Annie, married, and he went to live with her in Simcoe, where he died in 1902.

Mary Ann died 2 July 1875 and was buried in the Newkirk cemetery, near St. Williams, Ont., within sight of the home where she was born. John also was buried in the Newkirk cemetery.[c]

Children

* 1. Mary _____ (1858-1923)
* 2. John William _____ (1862-)
* 3. Robert, twin _____ (1862-1924)
* 4. Annie _____ (1866-)

1.4.1.

Mary Taylor (1858-1923), daughter of John and Mary Ann (Backhouse) Taylor, was born 24 October 1858 in Woodhouse township, Norfolk county, Ont. On the death of her mother in 1875, Mary became housekeeper for her father, her twin brothers, and a younger sister. She became interested in Salvation Army work, joined the organization, and soon became a captain in the Salvation Army.

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a. See Appendix 1—Backhouse Family.
b. See Appendix 10—McMichael Family.
c. The inscription on the stone reads:

Our Parents
John Taylor
1827-1902
Mary A., his wife
1830-1875
Gone to the Better Land

On 25 December 1886 she married Arthur Rowe, who was born 29 March 1861 at Pinehill, Oxford county, Ont., son of George Rowe[a] and Martha (Gott)[b] Rowe (1841-1928). Arthur was captain and, later, adjutant in the Salvation Army. Capt. and Mrs. Rowe were stationed at different towns in Ontario—Thornbury, Feversham, Stroud, Thorold, Thamesville, and others. In the United States, Captain Rowe was stationed at Port Jervis, N. Y., Hoboken, N. J., and Alma, Mich.

When Mary became ill, after having suffered a heart attack, the Salvation Army gave Capt. Rowe fifty acres of land on the outskirts of Warren, Pa. This land Capt. Rowe called "Stoney Lonesome" and he ran it as a chicken farm. Mary died 19 February 1923 at Russell, near Warren, Pa. Captain Rowe

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a. George Rowe (1833-1907) was born in London, England, 5 May 1833, and went to Canada when he was 21 years old. He was a small man, weighing about 130 pounds. He had learned shoemaking in England and in Canada worked at this trade. When he had been in Canada three years he went on horseback fifty miles to London, Ont., to get a marriage license and, 20 November 1857, at his sister's home in Bosanquet township, Lambton county, Ont., he married the then 16-year-old Martha Gott (see note b). Mr. Rowe's sister in Bosanquet was Lydia (Rowe) Crone, the only other one of the Rowe family to come to Canada. Both George and Martha were gifted musically. They had 11 children, all of whom exhibited musical talent. George and Martha were Baptists, as was one of their sons. Most of the other children belonged to the Methodist Church. Mr. Rowe died 10 October 1907 at London, Ont., and Mrs. Rowe died 26 January 1928 at St. Mary's, Ont. Both were buried in Woodland cemetery at London. Their 11 children were:

(1) Blanche, who was born 14 June 1859 at East Zorra, Oxford county, Ont., and died 19 December 1863

(2) Arthur, who was born 29 March 1861 at Pinehill, Oxford county, Ont. (see Mary Taylor 1.4.1.)

(3) Lydia, who was born 12 March 1863 at Bright, Oxford county, Ont.; worked as dressmaker; married 6 November 1889 at Kerrwood, Middlesex county, Ont., Milton Napper, mechanic; had 4 children; and died 24 July 1909 at Bakersfield, Calif.

(4) Cecelia, who was born 28 February 1865 at Bright, Oxford county, Ont.; worked as dressmaker; married (1) 15 February 1893 at Petrolia, Lambton county, Ont., William MacRichie; married (2) 9 October 1912 at Woodstock, Ont., her brother-in-law, Milton Napper; had 3 children; and died at St. Thomas, Ont., 27 October 1942

(5) Eusebia, who was born 5 April 1867 at Bright, Oxford county, Ont.; married at Kerrwood, Middlesex county, Ont., 24 December 1883, William Smith, carpenter and machinist; had 3 children; and died at Toronto 10 May 1945

(6) Percy, who was born 25 February 1868 at Bright, Oxford county, Ont.; was a school teacher and, later, a geologist; married at Thornbury 26 December 1896 Minnie Greason, violin teacher; had 6 children; and died 21 April 1943 at Toronto

married (2) Louise Millar Sampson 5 December 1927. He died 29 July 1944 at Alma, Mich., and was buried at Breckenridge, Mich.

Child

* 1. Lyle _____ (1891-)

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(7) LaVanche, who was born 29 March 1871 at Bright, Oxford county, Ont.; married (1) at Sarnia 12 April 1897 George Gill, photographer; married (2) at Vancouver, B.C., 24 January 1924 Theodore Brown, mechanic on the Canadian Pacific Railway; had two children; and died at Vancouver 15 January 1926

(8) Denelda, who was born 23 May 1873 at Bright, Oxford county, Ont.; married 16 June 1896 at Petrolia, Lambton county, Ont., Frank Seager, grocery store manager; had 4 children; and died 12 March 1939 at Sarnia, Ont.

(9) Ethel, who was born 15 July 1876, at West Williams, Middlesex county, Ont.; worked as dressmaker; married at London, Ont., 20 November 1920, Frank Young, chief of police at St. Mary's, Ont., who died in June 1942, leaving his widow, who resided (1948) at 524 Princess Ave., London, Ont.

(10) Curtis, who was born 30 November 1878 at Kerrwood, Middlesex county, Ont.; became accountant for the Canadian Pacific Railway; married at North Bay 8 April 1906 Florence Melville; had 5 children; and retired, residing (1948) at Medicine Hat, Alberta

(11) Leota, who was born 31 August 1881 at Kerrwood, Middlesex county, Ont.; was a soprano soloist; married 16 July 1907 Edward Wyatt, who was for thirty years principal of St. George's School at London, Ont. Leota dropped dead 31 March 1935, on finding her husband had suddenly died. She left one daughter, Margaret, who resided (1948) at 524 Princess Ave., London, Ont.

b. Born in 1841, daughter of George Gott (whose father was born in Germany) and Elizabeth Curtis, both of Lincolnshire, England. George and Elizabeth had 11 children. In 1844, with 5 of the children, all of whom were born in Lincolnshire, Mr. and Mrs. Gott embarked for Canada in a sailing vessel. They were two months making the voyage. Having come to Port Stanley, Elgin county, Ont., they made their way to Five Stakes, near St. Thomas, Ont., where they settled. Mr. Gott farmed and, in season, was a sheepshearer. They were Baptists. Elizabeth died at 67 and George at 77. Both were buried at Arkona, Lambton county, Ont. Their 11 children were:

(1) Benjamin, who died at Strathroy, Ont.

(2) Sarah, who died young

(3) Alice, who died at Walkerton, Ont.

(4) William, who died at Strathroy, Ont.

(5) Rachel, who died at Kewanee, Ill.

(6) Martha, who was born 1841 and married George Rowe (see note a)

(7) Henry, who was born after the arrival of the family in Canada and, when 13 years of age, was killed by a horse

(8) David, who was born 1846 at St. Thomas, Ont., and died 1938 at Vancouver, B.C., where his widow, Mary, was residing in 1948

(9) Sarah (again), who was born at St. Thomas, Ont., and died 1932 at Windsor, Ont.

(10) Rebecca, who was born at St. Thomas, Ont., and died at Kerrwood, Middlesex county, Ont., in 1936

(11) Edward, who was born 1853 at St. Thomas, Ont., and died at Detroit, Mich., in 1929.

1.4.1.1.

Lyle Rowe (1891-), son of Arthur and Mary (Taylor) Rowe, was born in 1891 at Thamesville, Kent county, Ont. He married Nellie ———, from whom he was divorced. He resided at Bradford, Pa., and (1948) at 906 Irvin St., Plymouth, Mich. He was a carpenter. He had no children.

1.4.2.

John William Taylor (1862-), twin of Robert, was born 10 June 1862, son of John and Mary Ann (Backhouse) Taylor of Woodhouse township, Norfolk county, Ont.

John attended the country school in School Section No. 3 of Woodhouse township. He attended the Simcoe high school, walking the four miles there and back each day. For one winter he attended the Port Rowan high school, staying with his aunt Susan Taylor (1.9.). Upon graduation from high school, he taught school for two years at Port Ryerse, a village on Lake Erie about five miles from Simcoe. In October 1884 he resigned from his school and went to Michigan to begin training for what he had decided was his calling—ministry in the Methodist Church, the denomination in which he had been brought up. He was appointed to a little church at Otsego Lake in northern Michigan, a church having a membership of thirty women and no men. While at Otsego he took his conference course of four years' study, and was ordained in the year 1889. He graduated in 1892 from the Garrett Bible Institute, Evanston, Ill., with the degree of B.D. His first appointment after leaving Evanston was at Laramie, Wyoming. While there he obtained the degree of M.A. from the University of Wyoming. His subsequent pastorates were at Salt Lake City, Utah; Ogden, Utah; Vermillion, S. D.; Aberdeen, S. D.; Northfield, Minn.; and Hamline Church, St. Paul, Minn., of which church he was made minister emeritus 31 March 1946.

Dr. Taylor was district superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Minnesota for 11 years (1914-1925). He received the degree of doctor of divinity from Dakota Wesleyan University. He retired in 1935 after 51 years in the active ministry and resided at 1662 Englewood Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

On the occasion of his retirement from the active ministry, Bishop Thomas Nicholson wrote: "I have known Dr. Taylor

for most of the period of his ministry. As a student, he was industrious and apt. He always carried himself with dignity but without undue reserve. He was always devoted to the work of the Kingdom of God, was a faithful pastor, a man of affairs and one of our most forceful and able preachers. He has filled a long line of prominent pulpits, some of them among the most responsible of the Church. So far as I know he has never made even a partial failure anywhere. His work has been outstanding, his record clean, his ministry fruitful and his devotion in the Church and to our Lord Savior complete."

On 29 November 1887 he married Annie Rebecca Bennett, who was born 21 February 1865, daughter of Aaron and Amy Bennett, who resided on a farm three miles from St. Williams, Norfolk county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Horace _____ (1888-1917)
* 2. Frances _____ (1891-1913)
* 3. Grace Irene _____ (1894-)
* 4. LeNora Alice _____ (1899-)

1.4.2.1.

Horace Taylor (1888-1917), eldest son of John William and Annie Rebecca (Bennett) Taylor, was born 1 November 1888 at Grayling, Mich. He attended the University of South Dakota for two years, then went to work in a store. He contracted tuberculosis and for the last five or six years of his life was unable to work. He died 8 January 1917 and was buried in the Roselawn cemetery at St. Paul, Minn.

1.4.2.2.

Frances Taylor (1891-1913), eldest daughter of John William and Annie Rebecca (Bennett) Taylor, was born 27 November 1891 at Evanston, Ill. When a senior in high school she developed a heart ailment. She spent months in bed and was never strong enough to go to school again. She died 24 April 1913 and was buried in the Roselawn cemetery at St. Paul, Minn.

1.4.2.3.

Grace Irene Taylor (1894-), daughter of John William and Annie Rebecca (Bennett) Taylor, was born 7 April 1894 at Laramie, Wyo. She graduated from Hamline University with the degree of B.A. She taught school for two years, then took a course in library work at the University of Minnesota and became assistant librarian in St. Paul, Minn.

On 14 July 1920 Grace Irene married Carl Lewis Benson, who was born 29 August 1887 at Kenyon, Minn., son of Lewis and Bertha (Tennefoss) Benson, both of whom were born in Norway.

* 1. John William _____ (1922-)
* 2. Robert Lewis _____ (1924-)
* 3. Marjorie LeNora ___ (1926-)

1.4.2.3.1.

John William Benson (1922-), son of Carl Lewis and Grace Irene (Taylor) Benson, was born 20 April 1922 at St. Paul, Minn. During World War II he served in the American Navy.

1.4.2.3.2.

Robert Lewis Benson (1924-), son of Carl Lewis and Grace Irene (Taylor) Benson, was born 21 January 1924 at Minneapolis, Minn. On 29 April 1943 he married Marjorie Hildebrandt. During World War II he served in the United States Marine Corps, returning home in April 1946. In 1947 Robert had charge of a creamery.

1.4.2.3.3.

Marjorie LeNora Benson (1926-), daughter of Carl Lewis and Grace Irene (Taylor) Benson, was born 6 September 1926 at St. Paul, Minn. She trained as a nurse in a hospital at St. Paul, graduating in 1947.

1.4.2.4.

LeNora Alice Taylor (1899-), daughter of John William and Annie Rebecca (Bennett) Taylor, was born 4 May 1899 at Salt Lake City, Utah. She graduated from Cornell University with the degree of B.A. and on 12 September 1922 married Franklin Grant Christenson, chartered public accountant, by whom she had two children. Mr. Christenson was born 17 March 1899, son of Dr. Charles and Nellie (Grant) Christenson. Franklin Grant Christenson died 22 December 1940. In 1947 LeNora was residing with her parents in St. Paul, Minn.

Children

* 1. Paul Franklin _____ (1924-)
* 2. Franklin Taylor ____ (1931-)

1.4.2.4.1.

Paul Franklin Christenson (1924-), son of Franklin Grant and LeNora Alice (Taylor) Christenson, was born 5 September 1924 at Minneapolis, Minn. After one year in university he was called to service in World War II and served in the United States Marine Corps from 1943 to 1946. In the autumn of 1946 he began the study of law at the University of Minnesota.

1.4.2.4.2.

Franklin Taylor Christenson (1931-), son of Franklin Grant and LeNora Alice (Taylor) Christenson, was born 21 February 1931 at Fairmont, Minn. In 1946 he was in his second year in high school in St. Paul, Minn.

1.4.3.

Robert Taylor (1862-1924), twin of John William and son of John and Mary Ann (Backhouse) Taylor, was born 10 June 1862 in Woodhouse township, Norfolk county, Ont.

Robert attended the country school in Woodhouse township and the Simcoe high school. In Norfolk county he was a farmer and school teacher. About 1896 he went to British

Columbia, where he took up land at Bridesville and taught school while farming. In British Columbia he married Grace Gilroy, of Scottish parentage.

Robert contracted tuberculosis and his wife ran the farm during his illness. On New Year's Day 1924, while doing farm work, Grace broke her leg. She managed to get to the house and her husband set out to walk to the nearest neighbor, a mile away, for help. He was so weak he would walk a short distance, then lie in the snow to rest. He died 5 May 1924 in Grand Forks, B.C., where he was buried.

Grace resided for about 15 years at the home of Mrs. Stark in Penticton, B.C. Becoming ill, she removed to the home of her sister, Mrs. Walker, of Ladysmith, B.C. (Rural Route No. 1), where she died 13 October 1946. They had no children.

1.4.4.

Annie Taylor (1866-), daughter of John and Mary Ann (Backhouse) Taylor, was born 21 September 1866 in Woodhouse township, Norfolk county, Ont. Annie attended the country school in Woodhouse township and the Simcoe high school.

Her mother having died when Annie was nine years old, Annie early became housekeeper for her father and her brother Robert. During her father's residence at Lynn Valley near Simcoe, Ont., Annie married 6 November 1895 Herbert Mather, tailor of Simcoe. They resided at Simcoe until Herbert's death, after which Annie resided with her daughter, Minerva, in Hamilton, Ont.

Herbert Mather was born 25 July 1858, son of Elisha Mather of Simcoe and his wife, whose maiden name was DuVal. Herbert died 16 May 1922 at Simcoe, where he was buried.

Child

* 1. Minerva _____ (1898-)

1.4.4.1.

Minerva Mather (1898-), daughter of Herbert and

Annie (Taylor) Mather, was born 12 February 1898 at Simcoe, Ont. On 19 June 1921 she married David Fleming.[a] They resided at Hagersville; at Galt, for 15 years; and at Hamilton, in which latter place David was (1947) a shipper for the Imperial Oil Company.

Child

* 1. William Herbert ___ (1925-)

1.4.4.1.1.

William Herbert Fleming (1925-), son of David and Minerva (Mather) Fleming, was born 3 September 1925. He took the honor matriculation course at Delta collegiate institute, Hamilton, Ont., from which he graduated in 1942, winning the gold medal for science and English. On 3 September 1943, during World War II, he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force. He attended wireless schools at Hamilton and at Montreal, graduating from Mount Hope in the Hamilton area. He went overseas in 1945 and until 1946 was in transport squadron work.

On 9 March 1945 William Herbert married Dorothy Ellen Earl, daughter of William and Emily Earl, who came from England to Hamilton, where Mr. Earl was employed (1945) by the Westinghouse Company. While her husband was overseas Dorothy Ellen was employed by Aerobux, manufacturer of radio tubes. In 1947 William was attending McMaster University at Hamilton, Ont.

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a. David Fleming was born 3 February 1899, son of Samuel and Margaret Fleming of Walpole township, Haldimand county, farmers, of Scotch-Irish ancestry.

JAMES TAYLOR

1.5.

JAMES TAYLOR (1829-1895), son of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born 22 March 1829 in England. He was baptized in the Church of England 3 May 1829 at Highway, Wiltshire. When James was 13 years old he went to Canada with his parents.[a] With his 15-year-old brother, John, he remained at Kingston, Ont., while the rest of the family, after a short stay in Kingston, proceeded westward to Forestville, Norfolk county, Ont.[b]

Two years later James rejoined his parents and soon thereafter he was bound out to Alexander Butler Hutchinson, farmer of Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. James was treated as a son by this family and remained in their employ until 1858, when he married Matilda Montrose.[c]

James and Matilda at first resided on a farm in De

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a. See Jasper Taylor (1.), note c.

b. See John Taylor (1.4.).

c. It is said that James and auburn-haired Matilda fell in love at first sight. They met at a quilting bee at the home of Alexander Butler Hutchinson, whose wife, Phoebe, daughter of Frances (Montross) Price, was first cousin of Matilda's foster-father, Wilson Montross.

Matilda was born 12 March 1836 and died 26 August 1878 (see note h below). She was brought up in the family of Wilson and Harriet Ann (Dustin) Montross of St. Williams, a village on the border of Charlotteville and Walsingham townships, Norfolk county, Ont. Matilda was born about four months after the date of the marriage bond of Wilson and Harriet Ann (16 November 1835) and was the daughter of Levi Montrose (Montross), uncle of Wilson, to whom Levi devised six acres of land in 1847.

The statement that Matilda was daughter of Levi Montrose (1768-1855) rests on the word of her son Wilson, a man of meticulous accuracy and scientific training, who stated without hint of doubt to his wife and to his eldest son that Levi Montrose was her father. No information as to her paternity was given to any other of her children or her foster-parents' children so far as could be ascertained from their descendants living in 1948, although it was known in the family that Matilda was not a child of Wilson and Harriet Ann. Matilda's daughter Nellie told her son Arthur that Matilda was treated harshly by her foster-mother, as she was not wanted in the family.

Matilda's maternity rests on conjecture, the most plausible view being that her mother was Eliza Ann Johnson (Feb. 9, 1805-Nov. 27, 1884), who lived in the household of Levi Montross and was 30 years of age in 1835. In his will Levi made provision for the life-long support of Eliza Ann, and she was buried on his left, with

Blaquiere's Hollow,[d] Walsingham township. For a short time in 1864 the family lived at Port Burwell, Elgin county, Ont., where their daughter Nellie was born. On 19 April 1865 James purchased 62½ acres of land, the east half of Lot 8, south of the Lake road, Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont., near Houghton Centre on the shore of Lake Erie. The purchase price was $1,000, which he paid by $100 down and a 7% mortgage, the unpaid balance of which ($300) was retired 6 January 1869 by a new 5-year mortgage for $315 at 8%. This mortgage was discharged 2 April 1874, but by a mortgage in a larger amount—$500 at 8%. The need for ready cash arose when tragedy struck the family early that year.

When felling a tree on a wood-lot near St. Williams, James had one of his legs crushed. Resourceful, he saved his own life by using a strap as a tourniquet. His cries attracted the attention of Joseph Parsons and William Price, who were working not far away. They sent to Port Rowan for a doctor and drove James home. Passing the school, they told the Taylor boys to come home, as their father had been hurt. The doctor

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one space intervening, in the Johnson cemetery at St. Williams, his wife Ann Maria (1770-1841) being buried on his right. Arthur Harris, son of Matilda's daughter Nellie, stated that his mother told him Matilda was an illegitimate child. He added that he gathered that Matilda's mother was a servant girl.

Levi was eldest son of Peter Montross (1742-1833), United Empire Loyalist, and his wife, Leah Mabee, who went as refugees from New York State to New Brunswick at the close of the Revolutionary War and migrated from New Brunswick to Long Point Settlement, Norfolk county, Ont., in 1797. Peter Montross was 5th in line of descent from Harmen Janszen Van Leneps, Dutch settler from Hesse, who migrated to New Amsterdam (now New York) and married there in 1650. His son Jan Harmse (bp. 1658-d. 1740) had a son Harmen (bp. 1684), who was known by the name Montrass (Montross). Harmen Montross had 4 sons, one of whom, Peter (bp. 6 March 1715 as Petrus Montras), was the father of Peter the Loyalist. (Based on *The Colonial Families of Philipsburgh, N. Y.*, by Grenville C. Mackenzie, manuscript in library of White Plains Historical Association, White Plains, N. Y.) The Loyalist Peter used the spelling *Montross* but his descendants, for the most part, called themselves *Montrose*.

d. At Big Creek, five or six miles west of St. Williams, Norfolk county. The area was named for De Blaquiere, who had a mill there and three or four miles of railway up into the woods. See *Page Historical Atlas of Norfolk County*, pub. 1877. In this neighborhood lived the Becker family. The birth of Matilda's second son was attended by the wife of Jeremiah Becker, Abigail (1831-1905), heroine of the rescue of 7 shipwrecked sailors from the schooner "Conductor" in a storm on Lake Erie in November 1853. The rescue took place while her husband was on a four-day trip to Port Rowan to dispose of pelts and bring back supplies. See *Niagara Historical Society Publications*, Vol. 32, edited by Lt. Col. E. A. Cruikshank.

pronounced that James's leg had to be amputated, but refused to operate until his fee of $100 was guaranteed. The mortgage for $315 was replaced by the $500 mortgage as a result.

Mr. Taylor at first attempted to manage the farm with the help of his two teen-age sons. This proving impracticable, on 3 April 1877 he sold the farm (selling price $1,800) and moved into Port Burwell.

At Port Burwell a second calamity befell the family. Matilda contracted yellow fever, believed brought into Port Burwell by the Lake boats, and died 26 August 1878. She was buried in a small cemetery north of the village.

Thereafter the family was kept together only with the greatest difficulty. The eldest daughter, 14 years of age at the time of her mother's death, became her father's housekeeper. The sons worked for farmers in the neighborhood and contributed to the support of the family. "Uncle Jim", as he was called, became a familiar figure in the township, driving from farm to farm selling tinware.

James moved back to Houghton Centre and was residing there on 4 June 1884 when he married Mrs. Rachel Robbins,[e] of Houghton township. This marriage was not a happy one and, after about three years, Rachel left him. During this time he lived on a rented four-acre place, the northwest corner of the lot whose east half had been his old farm.

On 26 May 1888 James's second son, Wilson, purchased[f] this tract for his father. On this small acreage James resided until December 1893, when he went to live with his daughter Minnie (Mrs. Edward Francis) of Houghton township, at whose home he died 28 April 1895. His death came suddenly, apparently through heart failure. The previous evening he had been playing on the floor with his year-old grandson, Leslie Harris, then visiting his aunt. In the night Edward Francis,

e. Mrs. Robbins was born in 1828, daughter of Henry and Abigail Dell of Wainfleet township, Welland county, Ont. The marriage was performed at Houghton Centre by Rev. Ransom Bridgman in the presence of Ella Bridgman. The marriage certificate describes James and Rachel as members of the Methodist Church.

f. Purchased by Wilson Taylor, then of Ingersoll, Ont., for $200, from Emma Emory of Courtland, Ont., and sold by Wilson Taylor 2 April 1897 for $175 to Gordon Gates of Houghton, Ont.

hearing a noise as if James were in a nightmare, entered his room to find that he had died.

James was short of stature. Mild-mannered, he nevertheless had strong convictions on the importance of honesty and faithful performance of duty—characteristics which appear from a narrative written years later by his son Wilson. In an account of a raccoon hunt which took place at Houghton about 1872 Wilson related that, although James permitted his two sons to participate in what turned out to be an all-night hunt, he insisted on their putting in a full day at the plow on their return. The narrative told of the misgivings of Wilson, then 11 or 12 years of age, at taking, during the hunt, melons and potatoes from a neighbor's field for a midnight lunch, adding that his father would not have permitted his sons to go if he had thought they would have joined in the "theft". Although he farmed during most of his life, James was also a wagon maker.

James was buried in the Anglican church cemetery[g] at Jacksonburg, 1½ miles east of Houghton Centre, the Methodist church to which he belonged having no cemetery connected with it. The body of his first wife, Matilda, was brought from Port Burwell and reinterred[h] beside her husband.

Children

* 1. Wellington _____ (1859-1909)
* 2. Wilson _____ (1861-1923)
* 3. Nellie _____ (1864-1931)
* 4. Eva _____ (1866-1896)
* 5. Tryphena _____ (1870-1893)
* 6. Minnie Bell _____ (1872-1942)

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g. On the south side of the Lake road beside the dune known locally as the "Big Sand Hill". In 1946 the church to which this cemetery belonged had disappeared and the cemetery had become overgrown with vines and poison ivy. The inscription on the Taylor tombstone reads:

At Rest
Pearly Gates Ajar
James Taylor
Died April 28, 1895
Aged 66 yrs 1 mo & 6 dys
Matilda
Beloved wife of above
Died Aug. 26, 1878
Aged 42 yrs 5 mos & 14 dys

h. At the time of reinterment about 1896, the name plate attached to the coffin was

1.5.1.

Wellington Taylor (1859-1909), son of James and Matilda (Montrose) Taylor, was born 3 April 1859 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. He was a highly skilled carpenter and cabinet maker. He resided at Clear Creek, in Houghton township, Norfolk county; at Sparta in Elgin county; at Union in Elgin county; at Clear Creek again; moved to Vittoria in Charlotteville township, Norfolk county, in 1896; and to Hespeler, Waterloo county, in 1905, where he died 16 February 1909.

When the family resided in Sparta there was only a Baptist church there, so they attended the Baptist church. In Union, they attended the Baptist church in the morning and the Methodist church in the afternoon.

On 6 October 1880 Wellington married Frances Louch, who was born 25 January 1859, daughter of John and Frances Louch[a] of Cultus, Houghton township. Frances died 13 December 1940 at Hespeler, Ont., where both she and her husband were buried.

Children

* 1. Lorne Stanley _____ (1881-)
* 2. Ariel Elsie _____ (1884-)
* 3. Raymond _____ (1888-1889)
* 4. Hazel Maud _____ (1890-)
* 5. Herman Louch _____ (1899-)
* 6. Thelma Eva _____ (1904-)

found to show Matilda's death date as 25 August (not 26 August, as on the tombstone) and age as 43 years, 6 months and 11 days, making her birth date 14 February 1835 (not 12 March 1836, as on the tombstone). The name plate was removed from the coffin and (1948) was in possession of Arthur Harris (1.5.3.1.), grandson of Matilda. The dates on the tombstone are believed to be correct because of (1) the carefulness of Wilson Taylor, who arranged for the reinterment, (2) the fact that the name plate was removed, and (3) evidence of the census of 1852, which states that Matilda Montrose would be 17 at her next birthday, making her 16 in the spring of 1852 (enumerator's report turned in May 21, 1852).

a. John Louch, farmer and blacksmith, and his wife, Frances, migrated from London, England. They settled at Caistorville, Lincoln county, Ont., and later moved to Houghton township, near Cultus. They were buried at Cultus. They attended the Methodist Church, although the family in England had belonged to the Anglican Church. Annie Louch, another daughter of John and Frances, married Hiram Raymond (see Lucy Taylor 1.1.1., note a).

1.5.1.1.

Lorne Stanley Taylor (1881-), son of Wellington and Frances (Louch) Taylor, was born 7 October 1881 at Clear Creek, Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont. He went to the Canadian West in 1902 and became a harness maker, residing at Brandon, Man. He moved to Hamiota, Man., in 1903 and there in 1915 he entered the real estate and insurance business, in which he was still engaged in 1948.

On 30 October 1907 at Estevan, Sask., he married Sadie Dobson Maunders,[a] who was born 25 September 1874 in Vaughan township, York county, Ont., and was raised at Ethel, Huron county, Ont. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were members of the United Church.

Children

* 1. Stanley Wellington __ (1908-)
* 2. Francis Maunders ___ (1911-)

1.5.1.1.1.

Stanley Wellington Taylor (1908-), son of Lorne Stanley Taylor and Sadie Dobson Maunders, was born 2 October 1908 at Brandon, Man. On 9 September 1941 he married Vira Esther Snowden,[a] who was born 13 July 1917 at Westmeath, Renfrew county, Ont. She graduated from Success Business College, Winnipeg, Man. Mr. Taylor was employed in the Royal Bank of Canada at Winnipeg. In World War II he enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force 12 February 1943 and was overseas for two years. On his discharge 20 June 1946 he returned to the employ of the Royal Bank of Canada at Birtle, Man. Stanley and Vira were members of the United Church. They had no children.

a. Daughter of Thomas Maunders, farmer, who was born 6 January 1843 in Lincolnshire, England, and died in 1901, and his wife, Mary McQuarrie, who was born 3 April 1849 at Richmond Hill, York county, Ont., and died in 1928.

a. Daughter of Thomas James Snowden (1877-1938), general merchant, who was born at Westmeath, Renfrew county, Ont., and his wife, Martha Campbell, who was born in Quebec in 1882 and died in 1939.

1.5.1.1.2.

Francis Maunders Taylor (1911-), son of Lorne Stanley Taylor and Sadie Dobson Maunders, was born 18 May 1911 at Hamiota, Man. He was (1948) employed by the Royal Bank of Canada and resided at Winnipeg, Man. At Brandon, Man., 5 November 1938 he married Edith Maud Squire, who was born 2 July 1913 at Brandon, Man., daughter of Rigby Squire, who was born 6 November 1880 at Exeter, Devonshire, England, and his wife, Elizabeth Cockram, who was born 4 January 1880 also at Exeter. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were members of the United Church.

Child

1. Robert Neil, b. Dec. 24, 1943, at Winnipeg, Man.

1.5.1.2.

Ariel Elsie Taylor (1884-), daughter of Wellington and Frances (Louch) Taylor, was born 1 November 1884 at Sparta, Elgin county, Ont. On 14 December 1916 she married Charles William Bird, of Hespeler, Ont. Charles was born 12 June 1889 at Andover, Hampshire, England, a member of the Bird family of Suffolk. In England he worked as a clerk in the main office of the Great Western Railway at Paddington Station, London. He went to Canada in 1910 and, at Stratford, Ont., was employed in a woodworking shop. In 1946 he was a textile worker in Dominion Woollens and Worsteds, Ltd., at Hespeler, Ont.

Child

* 1. Hector Wellington __ (1919-)

1.5.1.2.1.

Hector Wellington Bird (1919-), son of Charles William and Ariel Elsie (Taylor) Bird, was born 10 October 1919 at Hespeler, Ont. In World War II he served both in Canada

and overseas in the Royal Canadian Air Force, from 6 March 1941 to 21 March 1946. He was employed as a weaver in the Dominion Woollens and Worsteds Company, Ltd., and, after a course in designing given by International Correspondence School, became a textile designer with the same company.

1.5.1.3.

Raymond Taylor (1888-1889), son of Wellington and Frances (Louch) Taylor, was born 13 July 1888 and died 13 March 1889. He was buried at Union, Elgin county, Ont.

1.5.1.4.

Hazel Maud Taylor (1890-), daughter of Wellington and Frances (Louch) Taylor, was born 13 January 1890 at Union, Elgin county, Ont. On 18 January 1911 she married Theodore Buck, sales manager of the Hespeler Furniture Company, Hespeler, Waterloo county, Ont. Mr. Buck was born in 1883 in Waterloo county, son of John and Elizabeth (Koch) Buck of Phillipsburg, Waterloo county, Ont.

Child

* 1. Geraldine _____ (1913-)

1.5.1.4.1.

Geraldine Buck (1913-), daughter of Theodore and Hazel Maud (Taylor) Buck, was born 1 November 1913 at Hespeler, Waterloo county, Ont. Geraldine took nurse's training in St. Mary's hospital at Kitchener, Ont., and 25 March 1944 married Emerson Arthur Graydon, farmer, who was born 28 February 1905 at Courtland, Norfolk county, Ont., son of Charles Wesley and Alice (Everett) Graydon, of Courtland, Ont. In 1948 Arthur and Geraldine were residing on the farm near Courtland where his father had lived since about 1895.

1.5.1.5.

Herman Louch Taylor (1899-), son of Wellington and Frances (Louch) Taylor, was born 14 September 1899 at Vittoria, Norfolk county, Ont. During World War I on 3 December 1915 he enlisted in the 111th Battalion of the Canadian Army. He was with the 47th Battalion in France when he was wounded 10 August 1918 during the battle of Amiens. He was discharged 1 February 1919. From 1921 to 1930 he was collector of customs at Whitby, Ont., where 7 November 1923 he married Frances Elizabeth Crouch, who was born 12 September 1904, daughter of Thomas and Feniah Jane (Forsythe) Crouch of Toronto, Ont.

For some time Mr. Taylor was an accountant with the Hardy Cartage Company, owner and operator of Brewers Retail Stores in Toronto, Ont. In 1948 he resided in Toronto, where he was assistant manager of Loew's Downtown Theatre.

Children

* 1. Lionel Francis _____ (1925-)
* 2. Betty Dawn _____ (1928-)

1.5.1.5.1.

Lionel Francis Taylor (1925-), son of Herman Louch and Frances Elizabeth (Crouch) Taylor, was born 21 June 1925. In World War II he served in the Royal Canadian Air Force from April 1943 to February 1946, being in India and Burma during 1945. After his discharge he resided in Toronto, Ont., where he was engaged in the insurance business.

1.5.1.5.2.

Betty Dawn Taylor (1928-), daughter of Herman Louch and Frances Elizabeth (Crouch) Taylor, was born 5 September 1928. After graduation from the Northern Vocational School in Toronto, Ont., she was employed by the Halifax Insurance Company in Toronto as endorsement clerk and receptionist.

1.5.1.6.

Thelma Eva Taylor (1904-), daughter of Wellington and Frances (Louch) Taylor, was born 12 November 1904 at Vittoria, Norfolk county, Ont. On 21 July 1930 she married Ralph Winfield Steel of Kitchener, Waterloo county, Ont. Mr. Steel was born in 1902 at West Winfield, N. Y., son of Harry and Emily (Sibley) Steel. In 1946 he was departmental manager in the Kitchener branch of the Goodrich Tire and Rubber Company. They had one daughter, Joan Marilyn, who was born 26 May 1933.

1.5.2.

Wilson Taylor (1861-1923), son of James and Matilda (Montrose) Taylor, was born 16 January 1861 at De Blaquiere's Hollow, Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. The family later moved to a farm in Houghton township, Norfolk county, on the north shore of Lake Erie seven miles east of Port Burwell. When Wilson was 13 years of age, his father lost his leg in an accident. Wilson was obliged to leave school and assist in supporting the family, which included four girls younger than himself. After two years his father sold the farm and the family moved to Port Burwell. His mother died two years later (1878). The next year Wilson went back to school, at Vienna, Elgin county, and passed the high school entrance examination in July 1880. By dint of working as a farm laborer and conserving his money by ingenious economies, he was able to attend high school at Aylmer, Ont., beginning in January 1881. He completed the course in July of the same year, prior to which, on petition of the students to the school board, he was temporarily in charge of the school. Obtaining his professional teacher's certificate by the end of the year, he taught for several months in a country public school and, in September, became a teacher in the Bothwell (Kent county) public school, of which he later was made principal. While at Bothwell Wilson conducted in the local newspaper a column consisting of miscellaneous comments and verse.

In 1884 he attended Ingersoll high school, where his studies included a course in mathematics covering much of the work offered in the first two years of university. Passing the examination in July, he attended the Toronto Normal School for the autumn term, winning the Governor-General's gold medal for proficiency in teaching.

In January 1885 Wilson was appointed to the staff of the Ingersoll high school at a salary of $75 a month. On 20 December 1886 he married Nancy Marilla Livingston[a] (Mar. 11, 1861-Sept. 15, 1942), a pupil at the high school. He then began extramural study to qualify for examinations in mathematics at the University of Toronto. He took the regular yearly examinations in 1888, 1889, and 1890 and ranked among the top three in the university each year despite the handicap of nonattendance. He received his B. A. degree in 1892.

Meanwhile he had continued to contribute toward the support of his crippled father and the younger members of the family. In 1888 he purchased for $200 a 4-acre tract for them.[b] From his systematically kept accounts it appears that by June 1890 he had saved from his salary and occasional outside earnings over $500 in cash, despite the fact that he contributed one-tenth of his gross earnings each year to the Methodist Church.

Wilson left Ingersoll in the summer of 1890 to accept a position teaching mathematics at Stratford, Ont., at $1,000 a year. Three years later he went as mathematical master to the collegiate institute at Chatham, Ont., at a salary of $1,200 a year, and he continued to teach in Chatham until 31 January 1913.

In 1898 he published a textbook *Principles of Arithmetic*, but its philosophic approach to the subject did not commend itself to the Ontario Minister of Education and it was never

a. Daughter of Edward and Eliza Jane (Johnston) Livingston, of Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont. See *Andrew Mills and his Descendants*, 1944, by Eva Mills Lee Taylor, pp. 96-104.

b. See James Taylor (1.5.), note f.

authorized as a public school textbook, although it was authorized in teacher-training schools. The venture netted him a slight loss. Meanwhile he became prominent in the work of the Methodist Church in the city. He frequently served as a lay preacher and took the platform in behalf of proposed laws to abolish the sale of liquor and prohibit Sunday labor. For several years he was city auditor.

In the summer of 1912 he established a residence in Toronto, where his four surviving children were studying, and at the end of the year accepted a position in the Peterborough collegiate institute, from which in 1914 he went to the St. Catharines collegiate institute. In St. Catharines he became interested in the study of surface tension of liquids and this led to a grant in 1919 of $500 from the Honorary Advisory Council for Scientific and Industrial Research of Canada to enable him to pursue the research at the University of Toronto. Through the interest and financial support of Lt.-Col. R. W. Leonard, mining engineer and operator, he was enabled to continue this work until his death.

He demonstrated that, if a drop of water is divided into smaller and smaller particles until each is of molecular dimension, the total surface energy, increasing proportionately to the total increase of surface, has thereby increased by an amount which equals the heat of vaporization, or latent heat of steam. He regarded this discovery as of fundamental importance and inferred that there is a "surface force" acting about all liquids even when existing as molecules. After his death his published and unpublished researches were collected in a memorial volume published by the University of Toronto in 1925 under the title *A New View of Surface Forces.*

As a by-product of his research, he devised a method of treating hardwood logs to prevent them in large measure from becoming waterlogged, thus cutting loss from sinking as the logs are floated from forest to mill. He secured Canadian Patent No. 212,551 (U. S. No. 1,435,031, Nov. 7, 1922) for the process and was about to engage in its large scale application under a contract with a lumber firm when his work was cut short by death.

Wilson Taylor combined a keen scientific mind with a religious faith which amounted to an almost literal though somewhat rationalized belief in the scriptures. He conceived of his pedagogical, scientific, and civic work as part of his religious duty. Although this characteristic at times excited antagonism, it also created respect and lent energy to execution. He was an inspiring teacher, particularly for the more gifted students. In addition, he was a skilled artisan, constructing most of his own scientific apparatus, and at various times throughout his life he turned his energies to painting and to the study of music, history, literature, Greek, and Latin.

He died in Toronto 3 October 1923 and was buried in the Maple Leaf cemetery at Chatham, Ont., where his wife was later buried.

Children

* 1. Kate Livingston ____ (1889-)
* 2. John Wilson _____ (1891-)
* 3. Alfred Livingston ___ (1893-1918)
* 4. Ross Malcolm _____ (1895-1916)
5. Frank Montrose, b. Feb. 7, 1899; d. Jan. 29, 1902

1.5.2.1.

Kate Livingston Taylor (1889-), daughter of Wilson and Nancy Marilla (Livingston) Taylor, was born 17 May 1889 at Ingersoll, Ont. She graduated in 1914 from the Ontario College of Art with the degree of Associate. She specialized in miniature portrait painting, and was commissioned by the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada in 1937 to paint a miniature of Lady Tweedsmuir, wife of John Buchan, First Baron of Tweedsmuir, then Governor-General of Canada.

On 21 June 1922 Kate married Robert Bremner Cumming,[a] who was born 8 July 1887 at Glasgow, Scotland, son of Robert and Mary Bennett (Howie) Cumming. Robert went

a. See Appendix 3—Cumming Family.

to Canada in 1907 and worked on a farm at Wallacetown, Elgin county, Ont., before going to Chatham, Ont., in 1909 to attend business school. He worked as bookkeeper for an ice company in Chatham, and while working with that company attended the Chatham collegiate institute, from which he obtained his junior matriculation in 1912. He then entered Victoria College, Toronto, and obtained the degree of B.A. in 1920 and the degree of B.D. in 1922, in which year he was ordained to preach in the Methodist Church, later part of the United Church of Canada. He held pastorates in Muncey, Guilds, Benmiller, Sparta, and Salford, Ont. From 1941 he was secretary of the London Conference of the United Church. During World War I Robert served with the Canadian Army overseas. In 1948 he was stationed at Lucan, Ont.

Children

* 1. Mary Montrose _____ (1923-)
* 2. Nancy Livingston _____ (1924-)
* 3. David Malcolm Wilson Taylor (1926-)

1.5.2.1.1.

Mary Montrose Cumming (1923-), daughter of Robert Bremner and Kate Livingston (Taylor) Cumming, was born 30 April 1923 at Toronto, Ont. In 1947 she graduated from the Ontario College of Art, with the degree of Associate. In 1948 she was residing with her parents at Lucan, Ont., where she was painting and teaching classes in art.

1.5.2.1.2.

Nancy Livingston Cumming (1924-), daughter of Robert Bremner and Kate Livingston (Taylor) Cumming, was born 16 November 1924 at Chatham, Ont. She graduated from the Ingersoll high school in 1946 and (1948) was attending business school at London, Ont.

1.5.2.1.3.

David Malcolm Wilson Taylor Cumming (1926-), son of Robert Bremner and Kate Livingston (Taylor) Cumming, was born 4 February 1926 at Chatham, Ont. From

February to December 1944 David took training in the Royal Canadian Air Force. Subsequent to demobilization he spent a year with the Radiosonde Division of the Meteorological Service, serving in outpost stations at Fort Smith and at Southampton Island, North West Territories, and H. M. C. S. Woodstock sea base in the Pacific. In 1949 he received the degree of B. A. from the University of Western Ontario.

1.5.2.2.

John Wilson Taylor (1891-), son of Wilson and Nancy Marilla (Livingston) Taylor, was born 4 April 1891 at Stratford, Ont., where his father was a teacher in the high school. In 1893 he went with his parents to Chatham, Ont., where he resided until 1910, in which year he enrolled at Victoria College, University of Toronto. He ranked second in general proficiency in competitive examinations open to all students of Ontario for scholarships at the University of Toronto. He obtained his B.A. degree in 1914, having specialized in Latin and Greek. After teaching mathematics, accounting, and business law at Albert College, Belleville, Ont., from 1914 to 1916, in which year he received his M.A. degree from the University of Toronto, he continued his studies at the University of Chicago, where he obtained the degree of Ph.D. in the department of Greek in 1919.

He was professor of Greek at Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, in 1919-20 and assistant professor of classics at the University of Manitoba, 1920-22. In 1922 he joined the editorial staff of the Frontier Press Company of Buffalo, N. Y., then preparing the one-volume reference work *The Lincoln Library of Essential Information,* of which he continued to be principal editor for many years while residing in Buffalo and later. He was assistant to the American editor of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* during the preparation of the 13th edition, in New York City, 1924-26, returning to Buffalo in the latter year. In 1934 he joined the editorial staff of the *United States News,* Washington, D. C., and, beginning in 1937, was managing editor of *Labor Relations Reporter* and related weekly publications and books, devoted chiefly to interpretation of govern-

mental regulation of labor-management relations, published by the Bureau of National Affairs, Inc., Washington, D. C.

His publications include: *Georgius Gemistus Pletho's Criticism of Plato and Aristotle* (Banta Pub. Co., 1921) and *Theodore Gaza's De Fato* (University of Toronto Library, 1923).

On 23 May 1914 at Toronto, Ont., John married Eva Mills Lee,[a] daughter of David and Mary Etta (Mills) Lee, of Oxford township, Grenville county, Ont. In 1948 their residence was on Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland.

Children

* 1. Ross Eloïse _____ (1917-)
* 2. Sherman _____ (1924-1944)

1.5.2.2.1.

Ross Eloïse Taylor (1917-), daughter of John Wilson and Eva Mills (Lee) Taylor, was born 4 October 1917 in Chicago, Ill. She graduated from high school at Kenmore, N. Y., in 1934; attended Illinois College at Jacksonville, Ill., 1934-35; and The George Washington University, Washington, D. C., 1935-36, majoring in zoology.

On 21 July 1936 Ross married Warren Sólyom de Antalfa Churchill[a] of Montgomery county, Maryland, eldest son of Mary Josephine (Sólyom de Szentantalfa) and George Morton Churchill, Professor of English History, The George Washington University, Washington, D. C.

Warren was born 6 April 1915 in Montgomery county, Maryland. He attended the grade and high schools of Washington, D. C., and graduated from The George Washington University in June 1936. In June 1940 he received from the same university his M.A. degree for work in the department of zoology. In the same year he was elected Associate in Sigma Xi. From 1940 to 1942 Warren pursued graduate

a. Author of this genealogy, and of *Andrew Mills and his Descendants*, 1944.

a. For Churchill and Sólyom families see *Andrew Mills and his Descendants*, 1944, by Eva Mills Lee Taylor, pp. 84-86, 114-118.

study at the University of Illinois, at Urbana, Ill., where he held an assistantship in the department of zoology. In September 1942 he began work with the Wisconsin State Conservation Department as a biologist, residing successively at Spooner, Brule, Lake Nebagamon, and Minocqua, Wisc.

Children

1. Catherine Lee, b. May 28, 1937, at Washington, D. C.
2. Bruce Warren, b. Apr. 30, 1939, at Washington, D. C.
3. Mary Susan, b. May 6, 1944, at Spooner, Wisc.

1.5.2.2.2.

Sherman Taylor (1924-1944), son of John Wilson and Eva Mills (Lee) Taylor, was born 3 September 1924 at Buffalo, N. Y. He attended the Bethesda-Chevy Chase high school of Bethesda, Maryland, and the Woodrow Wilson high school of Washington, D. C., where his chief interests were languages, government, debating, and cadet work.

Impatient at the delay in American entry into World War II, he went to Toronto, Ont., in the summer of 1941 at the end of his junior year in high school. He tried to enlist but was rejected because he was under age. He stayed in Toronto and worked in a factory, training evenings and Sundays with the 2nd Battalion (Militia) of the Royal Regiment of Canada. In the summer of 1942 he worked as batman at Niagara-on-the-Lake with, in succession, the 2nd Field Squadron (Toronto), the 1st Field Squadron (Hamilton), and the 3rd Battalion, Royal Canadian Engineers.

On 1 September 1942, shortly before his 18th birthday, Sherman entered the Canadian Army, enlisting at Winnipeg, Man., then the headquarters of Canada's famous infantry regiment, the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. He travelled there at his own expense to assure his assignment to this regiment. He was stationed for training successively at Fort Osborne, Portage-la-Prairie, and Shilo Camp, all in Manitoba. He was certified as a fully proficient soldier on 1 January 1943 and on 13 January was assigned to the "Princess

Pats", as the regiment of his choice was popularly known. He was sent overseas 19 March 1943 and arrived in England 1 April 1943.

In England he was stationed for a month with No. 1 Canadian Infantry Reinforcement Unit, and in June he was with his regiment at Blantyre, Scotland.

The Princess Pats became part of the 1st Canadian Division which, as part of the Allied forces invading Sicily, embarked in June and landed on the Pachino beaches of Sicily on the morning of 10 July 1943. During the next four weeks the Canadians fought their way some 250 miles across Sicily to the slopes of Mt. Etna. The Pats distinguished themselves in the taking of Leonforte on July 22 and Agira on July 28. Early in August Sherman was stricken with appendicitis and was flown to the 99th General Hospital of the British North Africa forces. In the late autumn he rejoined his regiment, then part of the British Eighth Army facing the German Army on the Adriatic coast near Ortona.

Beginning in April 1944 his unit was given intensive training to carry out an assault delivered May 23 against the Hitler Line at a point near Pontecorvo. The Princess Pats, flanked by Seaforth Highlanders and others, advanced across a wide valley under smoke screen protection to attack three lines of Germans in the hills opposite, which were fortified by mines and 88-mm. turreted guns dismounted from tanks and surrounded by 4-foot concrete walls, many of which remained intact despite a five-hour bombardment by artillery and aircraft. When the Canadian troops were half way across the valley, waist high in standing wheat, the wind shifted and dissipated the smoke screen, subjecting the troops to fire from the German 88-mm. guns and small arms. When the smoke screen was dissipated all but 5 of 56 tanks massed by an Irish unit to support the advance were destroyed by German fire before they could get within range of the German guns. Nevertheless the Canadians advanced where advance seemed impossible and infiltrated the first two lines. The Germans then withdrew. Of 400 Princess

Pats men in combat, 68 were killed, about 272 were wounded and some were captured, leaving not more than one-eighth of their number.

A dispatch written by Doug How for the Canadian Press and datelined Italy under the heading "Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers All Gone, Pats Privates Won Battle" described the battle in the following words:

"For hours and even days nobody knew the full story of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry on May 23 when they assaulted the Hitler Line. They only knew that men had fallen until the ground seemed littered with them, that others went on until they reached their objectives, then fought for hours. Action reduced their ranks as they have never been reduced in this war and probably seldom in the last. . . . . The Hitler Line loomed up like an impregnable steel wall. Machine gun posts bristled behind barbed wire strung with mines. Pillboxes mounted in concrete and steel controlled the approaches. The long barrels of 75 and 88-mm. guns jutted out from solid emplacements. An anti-tank ditch ran across the face of the Line, which in some places was 400 yards deep, in others 1,000.

"The advance began at dawn, through fields that stood waist high in wet grain that hid the enemy in the fog and mist of an Italian morning and the smoke of action, whose trees gave a leafy cover to snipers who lurked in them, and whose soil was broken for hours by hundreds of German mortar and artillery shells.

"Two companies began the assault and an hour and a half later the few privates still able to advance were on their objective, the road that links Pontecorvo and Aquino in the Liri Valley. All their officers and all their non-commissioned officers had been either killed or wounded.

"One after another the officers fell from the ranks of the company that started out behind the other two. All through the day mortar and artillery fire fell ceaselessly. Even the company in reserve suffered so heavily that all its officers were

either wounded or killed. Sergeants found themselves company commanders, and privates rallied small groups and proved themselves capable leaders in the crisis. When finally dusk and darkness came and a fresh advance was made on their flank, the Pats that could withdrew, but men kept straggling back for hours after. Patrols went out to seek the wounded and the stranded, but the patrols didn't come back because the Hitler Line was still alive with snipers and guns. Men died with a courage that was magnificent, advanced when advance seemed impossible, held for hours on the objective that hundreds started for and dozens reached. . . . Nevertheless in the morning fresh Canadian armor was pouring through the hole this and other battalions had driven into the Hitler Line. . . The Hitler Line was broken, and the victorious Allied armies pressed forward toward Rome and the Valley of the Po."

Sherman was killed in this bloody battle. He was hit by shrapnel. Sergeant Armstrong helped carry his body from the battlefield, and Capt. J. R. Roensgen, M. C., oversaw the temporary burial near by. A year later his body was reinterred in the military cemetery at Cassino, Italy, in Plot 9, Row C, No. 11.[a]

In Bethesda-Chevy Chase high school Sherman's name is one of 43 on a bronze tablet in memory of former students whose lives were sacrificed in World War II. He is one of 63 memorialized in Woodrow Wilson high school in Washington, D. C., and a bronze memorial plate has been placed on the entrance marker at Woodhaven, Maryland, which was his home. His name is listed in the Archives of Maryland among those who gave their lives in World War II, and is inscribed in the *Golden Book of Remembrance* deposited in Toronto's memorial to her sons and daughters who gave their lives in the cause of freedom during the war 1939-1945.

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a. When his permanent headstone is erected, the inscription will read:
H102132 Private Sherman Taylor
The Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry
23rd May 1944 Age 19
Beloved son of John Wilson and Eva Mills (Lee) Taylor
of Bethesda, Maryland

Sherman from earliest childhood was self-reliant and trustworthy. Both in intellect and character he exhibited maturity much beyond his years. His amusements had a wide range—sometimes close to earth (as in helping to plan and execute the landscaping of his parents' home), frequently scientific (as in making a collection of rocks, carefully labelled as in a museum), sometimes linguistic (as in his extra-curricular study of the Spanish and Russian languages), but most frequently having an international angle (as in the construction of colored charts showing military and naval strength of leading countries or in the painting of flags of merchant ships which he observed passing the Statue of Liberty in New York harbor.) He was fond of camping and of hiking expeditions. He had a discriminating taste for music and spent many hours listening to recordings of the world's great composers. In his early teens he used his allowance to send contributions to China after Japan's war on that country had begun. While in North Africa he sent home for a copy of Karl Marx's *Capital*, which he had not been able to find in Algiers.

By nature not gregarious, Sherman nevertheless joined the Army to do his part in the struggle of the democracies against Fascism. In his last letter to his parents, written nine days before the fateful morning of 23 May 1944, he said: "If I could knock out one fascist for every parcel you send, it would be very good indeed."

"Your son, my lord, has paid a soldier's debt;
He only lived but till he was a man;
The which no sooner had his prowess confirm'd
In the unshrinking station where he fought,
But like a man he died." Shakespeare's *Macbeth*,
Act V, Scene viii.

1.5.2.3.

Alfred Livingston Taylor (1893-1918), son of Wilson and Nancy Marilla (Livingston) Taylor, was born at Chatham, Ont., 9 December 1893. He graduated from the collegiate

institute in Chatham, Ont., and from the University of Toronto *in absentia* in 1916 (being at that time on active military duty) with the degree of B.A. in English and history.

Fred enlisted in the Canadian Army in World War I on 17 February 1916 and was assigned to the 182nd Battalion of Ontario county. He went overseas with the 116th Battalion, arriving in England 31 July 1916 and in France 29 March 1917. He had the rank of corporal. The 116th Battalion was attached to the 4th Division when it went into action. Fred was killed 28 August 1918 while serving with the 116th, which was engaged in the battle of Scarpe, on the Arras front, France. Information was received that his body had been buried southeast of Boiry, Notre Dame, France, but it later proved impossible to locate and register the grave. Consequently the Canadian Government caused his name to be inscribed on the Vimy Memorial erected at Vimy Ridge, France, to commemorate those members of the Canadian forces who fell in France and whose graves are unknown.

1.5.2.4.

Ross Malcolm Taylor (1895-1916), son of Wilson and Nancy Marilla (Livingston) Taylor, was born 29 December 1895 at Chatham, Ont. He attended the collegiate institute at Chatham, and in the autumn of 1912 enrolled at Victoria College, University of Toronto, in the department of chemistry and mineralogy. On entrance to university he had won the Prince of Wales scholarship for first place in general proficiency in competitive examinations.

Ross enlisted in the Canadian Army in World War I on 7 January 1915. He went overseas with the Canadian Field Artillery, 4th Brigade, and arrived in England 27 May 1915, embarking for France 14 September 1915. In France he was advanced to the rank of bombardier. He was killed 8 January 1916 while serving at a look-out post for his battery (13th) at Ploegsteert Woods sector, Belgium. He was decorated with the Mons star. He was buried in the Ridgewood cemetery at Voormezeele, Belgium, in Plot 1, Row J, Grave 5. His serial number was 83160.

1.5.3.

Nellie Taylor (1864-1931), daughter of James and Matilda (Montrose) Taylor, was born 17 February 1864 at Port Burwell, Elgin county, Ont. When Nellie was 14 years old her mother died and Nellie became housekeeper for her father and her brothers and sisters. Later she became an accomplished seamstress and worked in a tailor shop in Michigan for some time.

On 2 February 1887 Nellie married Warren Harris, who was born 7 February 1862, son of Moses Marshall Harris,[a] hotelkeeper of Forestville, Norfolk county, Ont. Warren farmed near Eden, Elgin county, and near Springford, Oxford county, Ont. For some time he conducted a farm implement business in Tillsonburg, Oxford county, Ont. He was fatally injured by a fall from a scaffold erected on his farm during threshing operations. Mr. Harris had gone to the farm the day after the threshing to take down the scaffold. In letting the planks down one slipped and he fell with it. His back was broken. He was paralyzed but lived four weeks, his death occurring 16 September 1902. He was buried at Tillsonburg.

In 1916 Nellie removed to Calgary, Alta., where she kept house for her children. She attended the Wesley Methodist church in Calgary. She died of a heart attack (thrombosis) 10 March 1931 and was buried in the Burnsland cemetery in Calgary.

Children

* 1. Arthur Elmo _____ (1887-)
* 2. Vivian Alivia _____ (1889-1939)
* 3. Leslie Wilson _____ (1894-1917)
* 4. Andrew Wellington _ (1896-)

1.5.3.1.

Arthur Elmo Harris (1887-), son of Warren and Nellie (Taylor) Harris, was born 19 December 1887 at Eden, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont. He attended school at Eden and at Tillsonburg, Ont., to which place the family had

a. See Jonah Louks (1.3.5.), note a.

removed. For seven years he worked at Tillsonburg and at Ridgetown, Ont., for the Northway Company, and in June 1911 he went to Calgary, where for 17 years he was employed by the Neilson Furniture Company. Beginning in 1929 he was for 13 years employed by the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada. From 1942 he was with the Wartime Prices and Trade Board of the Dominion Government and (1947) was Rental Appraiser for Calgary and Southern Alberta. Mr. Harris was a member of the Wesley United church, being first vice-president of the Alberta Conference Lay Association and vice-chairman of the Religious Education Council of Alberta.

In 1923 Mr. Harris married Margaret Evans. They resided (1948) at 1007 Fourth Ave. West, Calgary, Alta. They had no children.

1.5.3.2.

Vivian Alivia Harris (1889-1939), daughter of Warren and Nellie (Taylor) Harris, was born 15 September 1889 at Eden, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont. She was a public-school teacher in Ontario and in 1918 went to Calgary, Alta., where she taught in the King Edward and the Ramsay schools until the end of June 1939.

Vivian married, at Crossfield, Alta., 13 July 1939, Sidney Howard Jacobs[a] of Clear Hills, Alta., the ceremony being performed by Rev. Stanley R. Hunt.[b] Vivian suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and died 20 July 1939, a week after her marriage. She was buried in the Burnsland cemetery at Calgary. The day after the funeral Mr. Jacobs returned to Clear Hills, where he had been building the house which was to have been their home.

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a. Sidney Howard Jacobs was born on concession 10, near Minesing, Vespra township, Simcoe county, Ont., 6 May 1885, son of Samuel and Eliza Ann (Standen) Jacobs.

Samuel Jacobs was born January 1846 at Toronto, Ont., son of John Spencer Davis Jacobs, who was born in Vermont in 1820, and Jeanette Corbett, who was born in Scotland in 1827. Eliza Ann Standen was born in 1856 in Swickham, Staffordshire, England, daughter of William John Standen, who was born in Kingswinford, Staffordshire, Eng., and Elizabeth Baker, who was born in Birmingham, Eng., in 1861.

b. See Margaret Carrie Wilson (1.6.3.7.).

Mr. Jacobs served in World War I in the Artillery, First Canadian Siege Battery, and later with the 6th Canadian Infantry, brigade headquarters. He returned to Canada in 1919 and did mission work under the Presbyterian Church in the Peace River district. From 1936 to 1946 he resided at Clear Hills, where he was postmaster and general merchant. In 1948 he was carrying on building operations at Grimshaw, Alta.

1.5.3.3.

Leslie Wilson Harris (1894-1917), son of Warren and Nellie (Taylor) Harris, was born 28 April 1894 at Eden, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont. His father died when he was 8 years old and he was reared in Tillsonburg, where the family was living at that time. When he was 17 he went to Calgary, Alta., and was employed there until his enlistment during World War I, on 7 June 1915, in the Canadian Engineers.

Leslie arrived in England with the 2nd Field Company 3 September 1915 and in France 21 December 1915. On 8 August 1917, while serving as sapper with the 2nd Field Company, at Les Brebis, northwest of Lens, France, he was killed. A shell fell in the yard where this company was billeted, wounding 15 soldiers and killing Sapper Harris and one other. Leslie was buried at Bully Communal cemetery, Extension France. His serial number was 2314.

1.5.3.4.

Andrew Wellington Harris (1896-), son of Warren and Nellie (Taylor) Harris, was born at Eden, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont., 5 December 1896. He was reared in Tillsonburg, Ont., and was six years old when his father died. In 1916 he went to Calgary, Alta., and worked at The Neilson Furniture Company until his enlistment in the artillery in 1917 during World War I. He served overseas and was discharged 29 May 1919. In 1947 he was engaged in the raising of poultry at Mazeppa, near Blackie, Alta.

1.5.4.

Eva Taylor (1866-1896), daughter of James and Matilda (Montrose) Taylor, was born 16 August 1866 in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 12 July 1895 she married Merton Wellington Hatch,[a] farmer of Elgin county, Ont., who was born 22 October 1868. Eva died 5 August 1896 at the birth of a child, which also died, and was buried in Eden cemetery, Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont. Mr. Hatch farmed in Elgin county and in Oxford county. His second wife, by whom he had three children, was Sarah Jane Livingston (1863-1938), daughter of Edward and Eliza Jane (Johnston) Livingston[b] of Dereham township, Oxford county, Ont. In 1948 Mr. Hatch was residing at Chatham, Kent county, Ont. He was a member of the United Church.

1.5.5.

Tryphena Taylor (1870-1893), daughter of James and Matilda (Montrose) Taylor, was born 27 January 1870 in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont. Tryphena was 8 years old when her mother died. She attended business school at Ingersoll, Ont., in 1887-1888, where her brother Wilson was

a. Son of Levi Johnson Hatch (Nov. 3, 1844-Jan. 11, 1911), farmer and local preacher of Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont., and Mary Jane Ketchabaw (Sept. 20, 1844-Feb. 1, 1932).

Levi Johnson Hatch was son of Levi Hatch (Oct. 25, 1814-1903), farmer of Bayham township, and Mary Ann Bowes (1820-1888).

Levi Hatch was son of William Hatch (Oct. 18, 1785-Dec. 18, 1874), schoolteacher of Turkey Point, Charlotteville township, Norfolk county, and of Bayham township, Elgin county, Ont., and Leah Johnson (Aug. 6, 1789-Mar. 26, 1877), daughter of Lawrence and Margaret (Montross) Johnson. Margaret Montross was daughter of Peter Montross, United Empire Loyalist (see James Taylor 1.5., note c).

William Hatch was son of Capt. Hawes Hatch (bp. Feb. 15, 1747- d. 1797), United Empire Loyalist, and his wife Jerusha.

Hawes Hatch was of the 6th generation in descent from William Hatch (b. ca. 1598-d. Nov. 5, 1651), merchant of Scituate, Mass., who came from England to America in March 1634/5. (From records of the Hatch Genealogical Society, Salt Lake City, Utah).

William Hatch of Scituate was of the 7th generation in descent from John atte hecche (hacche) of Sellinge, County Kent, England, who was born about 1415 and died after 15 November 1464, when his will was made. (See "Hatch Family" by Elizabeth French in *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, Vol. 70, pp. 245-260). For additional data on the Hatch family in America see *Hatch Family, descendants of Thomas and Grace Hatch of Dorchester, Mass.*, 1925, by Ruth Amorette Hatch-Hale of Salt Lake City, Utah.

b. See *Andrew Mills and his Descendants*, 1944, by Eva Mills Lee Taylor, pp. 96-104.

teaching, residing at his home. She taught school for a short time and, 1 March 1893, married Andrew Jackson,[a] farmer of Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 5 December 1893 Tryphena died at the birth of a child, which also died. She was buried at Jacksonburg, 1½ miles east of Houghton Centre in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont.

Andrew Jackson married (2) Jessie Gunn[b] and (3) Maud Gunn, sister of Jessie. Mr. Jackson in 1947 was residing on Lot 10, north of the Lake road, Houghton township, where he had been for 77 of his then 82 years.

1.5.6.

Minnie Bell Taylor (1872-1942), daughter of James and Matilda (Montrose) Taylor, was born 22 May 1872 in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 7 December 1893 she married Edward Andrew Francis, who was born 16 September 1866, son of Samuel Francis[a] and his second wife, Amanda Jane Jackson.

Edward Andrew Francis farmed in Houghton township and later became a building contractor in Hamilton, Ont. He died 23 May 1932 and Minnie Bell died 30 September 1942. Both were buried at Hamilton, Ont.

Children

* 1. Minnie Mabel _____ (1895-)
* 2. Ferne _____ (1897-)
* 3. Irvine Edward _____ (1902-1949)
* 4. Keith Taylor _____ (1916-)

a. Born 15 December 1864, son of Samuel Jackson (1830-1900) and his wife Jane (1840-1873), both of whom were buried in the Anglican Church cemetery at Jacksonburg.
b. Jessie Gunn (1875-1900) was daughter of George M. Gunn (1847-1932) and Margaret Oag (1852-1934). Jessie and her parents were buried in Tillsonburg, Oxford county, Ont.

a. Samuel Francis was born 22 April 1825 at Tyrell's Pass, near Mullingar, West Meath, Ireland. He migrated to Canada in 1836 and became a farmer in Norfolk county, Ont. He married (1) Ann Parslo. Ann died, leaving a daughter Ellen (1851-ca.

1.5.6.1.

Minnie Mabel Francis (1895-), daughter of Edward Andrew and Minnie Bell (Taylor) Francis, was born 22 April 1895 in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont. Before her marriage she was a schoolteacher in Hamilton, Ont.. On 5 October 1929 she married John Morton Ferguson, builder and real estate dealer of Hamilton, Ont., who was born 2 August 1894, son of John Daniel Ferguson[a] and Julia Jane Manton

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1930), who married William Bryans and had: Elizabeth, Ella, Maud, Edward, William, Harvey, James, Charles, Robert, and Franklin. Samuel married (2) Amanda Jane Jackson, who was born in October 1836, daughter of ——— Jackson of Norfolk county. By this marriage he had 8 children:

(1) Mary (1860-1895), who died unmarried

(2) Hannah (1862-1896), who married George Wood, and had a son, Herbert

(3) William (1864-1918), who married (1) Emma Robbins, by whom he had Lena, Gladys, Ula, and Clyde, and married (2) Stella Chute

(4) Edward Andrew (see Minnie Bell Taylor 1.5.6.)

(5) Henry (1868-1946), who married Lorene Hannigan and had Allen and Clifford

(6) Jane (1875-1941), who married Joseph Parker and had Berva and Lorne

(7) Herbert (1878-), who married Ida Elgy and had Hazel, Merle, Gordon, and Harold

(8) Ethel (1885-1945), who married John Brady and had Russell, Grant, Jean, Edith, Harold, Helen, Howard, and Robert.

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a. John Daniel Ferguson was son of David Ferguson, who was born in 1813 in Ayrshire, Scotland. David went to Canada and settled on a 300-acre Crown grant near Valetta in Tilbury township, Kent county, Ont. He married Annabel Murray, who was born in 1818 in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland. Annabel died 20 February 1876 at the age of 58 years, and David died 22 December 1893 at the age of 80 years. Their children were:

(1) Agnes, who married ——— and had David, John, James, Daniel, Arthur, Annie, Jennie, Agnes, Henry, and Charles

(2) Martha, who married Theodore Burgess 25 December 1889 and had no children

(3) Mary, who married Henry Burgess and had William, David, Richard, Ira, and Annie

(4) Annie, who married James Ross and had David

(5) Jessie, who died, unmarried, 13 July 1914

(6) David, who died 16 August 1875 at the age of 21 years

(7) John Daniel (March 1858- Feb. 1, 1924), farmer (on part of his father's homestead), who married 19 January 1886 Julia Jane Manton Cato. Their children were:

(a) William David (Nov. 19, 1886-Feb. 15, 1949), medical doctor, who married 11 August 1908 Irene Myrtle Marshall, daughter of William Marshall of St. Mary's, Ont.; and had Gerald Marshall, Clarence Edwin, and Helen Irene Cato

(b) Edith Grace, who was born 15 July 1888 and died 20 January 1889

Cato.[b] They had one daughter, Marilyn Francis, who was born 13 September 1930 at Hamilton, Ont.

1.5.6.2.

Ferne Francis (1897-), daughter of Edward Andrew and Minnie Bell (Taylor) Francis, was born 19 October 1897 in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 18 September 1923 she married Allan Frederick Farquhar, who was in the wholesale plumbing business in Detroit, Mich. Allan was born 23 November 1894, son of William and Jane (Nixon) Farquhar.[a]

Children

1. Lois Ferne, b. July 14, 1930
2. Carol Ann, b. May 11, 1932

(c) Ethel Maud, who was born 21 November 1889

(d) Clarence Daniel, who was born 25 November 1891; married 9 October 1917 Greta Isabel Slater of Guelph, Ont.; and had Margaret Jane and Kathryn

(e) John Morton (see Minnie Mabel Francis 1.5.6.1. above)

(f) James Edwin, who was born 23 September 1897; married 30 June 1925 Caroline Isabel Young of St. Mary's, Ont.; and had John Ronald, born 22 August 1930

(g) Jean Manton, who was born 14 May 1899; married 1 June 1933 Kenneth S. Wilson of Perth, Ont.; and had Kenneth, who died young, and John Donald, who was born 6 July 1936

(h) Anna Mae, who was born 11 December 1902 and died, unmarried, 22 August 1941.

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b. Julia Jane Manton Cato, born 2 April 1858 and died 11 July 1916, was daughter of William Cato, who was born in 1819, son of ——— Cato and Martha (Braybrook) of Cambridgeshire, Eng. He married Edith Dennis of Cambridgeshire, and came from England to Fredonia, Chautauqua county, N. Y. In 1874 they moved from Fredonia to Blenheim, Kent county, Ont. William died 10 September 1909. Both he and his wife were buried at Blenheim. Six of their 13 children died young, four being buried in England and two in Fredonia. The seven remaining children were: James, Sophia, Samuel, Walter, William, Julia Jane Manton (see note a above), and Arthur.

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a. William Farquhar, farmer, was born 12 August 1845 in Wick, Caithness, Scotland. He removed to Canada in 1866. In 1870 he married Jane Nixon, who was born in County Armagh, Ireland, 12 August 1849. Their children were:

(1) Rachel, who was born 9 October 1871

1.5.6.3.

Irvine Edward Francis (1902-1949), son of Edward Andrew and Minnie Bell (Taylor) Francis, was born 9 October 1902 in Houghton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 19 June 1926 Irvine married Lorna Willis Gilbert Cowen, who was born 22 November 1903, daughter of Robert Hamilton and Jessie (Gilbert) Cowen[a] of Hamilton, Ont. Lorna was a writer of stories for popular magazines. Irvine for 15 years was in the insurance business in Detroit and Hamilton. He was engaged as a clothing salesman until his death. He died of a heart attack 5 December 1949 and was buried at Hamilton. They had one son, Edward Robert, who was born 2 January 1929.

1.5.6.4.

Keith Taylor Francis (1916-), son of Edward Andrew and Minnie Bell (Taylor) Francis, was born 2 November 1916 at Hamilton, Ont. On 17 July 1943 he married Margaret Jean McIsaac, who was born 27 December 1919, daughter of

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(2) William John, who was born 26 February 1873

(3) Thomas, who was born 28 June 1875; was a member of Dominion Parliament from Manitoulin Island; and was appointed to the Dominion Senate in September 1948

(4) Jane, who was born 18 October 1876 and died 28 September 1941

(5) Isabella, who was born 14 March 1878 and died 24 February 1947

(6) Mary Elizabeth, who was born 3 February 1880 and died 4 December 1920

(7) George Robert, who was born 15 August 1881 and died 8 March 1902

(8) Hannah Luella, who was born 8 July 1883

(9) Child, who was born and died 6 November 1884

(10) Margaret Emily, who was born 6 November 1885

(11) Sarah Edith, who was born 28 February 1889

(12) James Edward, who was born 24 August 1891

(13) Allan Frederick (see Ferne Francis 1.5.6.2. above).

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a. Robert Hamilton Cowen, dentist, of Hamilton, Ont., was born 13 November 1865, son of John Cowen, who migrated from Northern Ireland to Canada ca. 1835, and his wife, Elizabeth Atkinson. Besides Lorna (born 1903, see above) Robert Hamilton Cowen and his wife Jessie Gilbert had a daughter Beulah, who was born ca. 1895 and died at 7 years. Robert Hamilton Cowen married (2) Florence Crane, by whom he had a son, Robert, who was born in June 1926.

James and Jane (Allan) McIsaac[a] of Hamilton, Ont. Keith served in Canada with the Royal Canadian Air Force during World War II, from 4 March 1942 to 14 September 1945, and in 1946 was in the wholesale spice and coffee business in Hamilton, Ont.

Child

1. Douglas Allan, b. July 3, 1946
2. Ross Keith, b. July 2, 1949

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a. James McIsaac was born 24 September 1882, eldest son of Peter McIsaac, who removed from Scotland to Canada in 1911, and his wife, Margaret Millar, daughter of James and Frances Millar. The children of Peter and Margaret (Millar) McIsaac were:

(1) James, who was born 24 September 1882 (see above)
(2) Frank, who was born 30 September 1884 and died 1 April 1924
(3) Jean, who was born 17 October 1886
(4) Kate, who was born 10 October 1888
(5) Peter, who was born 28 June 1891
(6) Alexander, who was born 23 May 1893
(7) Christina, who was born 9 September 1895
(8) Margaret, who was born 21 May 1897
(9) John, who was born 19 May 1898.

REBECCA TAYLOR

1.6.

REBECCA TAYLOR (1830-1888), daughter of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born 26 December 1830 at Highway, Wiltshire, England. She was baptized in the Church of England at Highway 7 March 1833. She accompanied her parents to Canada in 1842 and resided with them at Forestville, Norfolk county, Ont.

On 5 February 1851 Rebecca married John M. Wilson, who was born 6 May 1826 in County Armagh, Ireland, son of John and Jane (Craig) Wilson. John M. Wilson went to Canada in 1847 with his parents, who died in Montreal of "ship-fever"[a] on their arrival in Canada from their native Ireland.

After their marriage John and Rebecca lived at Simcoe, Ont., then removed to a farm[b] in Middleton township, Norfolk county. They resided in Middleton until 1881, in which year they moved to Moore township, near Brigden in the county of Lambton, Ont. Mr. Wilson died of pneumonia 7 March 1884 and was buried at Bradshaw, near Brigden.

Mr. Wilson was a very religious man. His grandchildren related that it was his custom to sing hymns on the way home

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a. Typhus fever. See Appendix 11—Wilson Family, note a.

b. The farm on which he resided after leaving Simcoe is said to have been Lot 21, Con. 3, Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont., a farm occupied in 1946 by a Polish family named Bartch. On 27 April 1874 (the year in which his youngest child was born) Mr. Wilson received a Crown grant of 100 acres, the west half of Lot 22, Con. 3, Middleton. In the same year he mortgaged this land for $1,000. This was followed by other loans until 7 September 1881 the then mortgage of $7,003.50 was foreclosed. Mr. Wilson appears to have had considerable hard luck in his farming operations. Next to his farm was an unoccupied tract belonging to the Canada Land Company and from this refuge wild animals depredated his farmyard. One year his few cattle all died. When a grasshopper scourge destroyed all his grain crops he moved to Moore township, Lambton county, where land was being opened up for settlement.

from prayer meeting, walking alone on one side of the country road, the younger people walking on the other. A strong advocate of "temperance", he was among those early farmers who refused to provide liquor for the harvesters. He was instrumental in the building of the Methodist church at Middleton, which church was still (1948) being used for Sunday services.

Rebecca died of a heart attack 15 March 1888 at the residence of her eldest son at Watford, Ont., and was buried beside her husband at Bradshaw.

Children

* 1. Jasper _____ (1851-1910)
* 2. Joseph Abraham ____ (1853-1917)
* 3. Charles Edgar _____ (1855-1921)
* 4. Anna Jane _____ (1856-1929)
* 5. Susan _____ (1858-1930)
* 6. Maria _____ (1860-1918)
* 7. William John _____ (1861-1939)
* 8. Rebecca _____ (1863-1888)
* 9. Alfred _____ (1865-1867)
* 10. Eleanor _____ (1867-1868)
* 11. David Craig _____ (1869-1939)
* 12. James Frederick ____ (1872-1936)
* 13. Samuel Bruce _____ (1874-1933)

1.6.1.

Jasper Wilson (1851-1910), eldest son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 26 November 1851 in Simcoe, Norfolk county, Ont. He attended normal school in Toronto and taught school for a short time, one of his pupils later becoming his wife. He prepared for ministry in the Methodist Church by attending Victoria University, then situated at Cobourg, Ont., receiving the degree of M.A. He married 14 August 1879 Margaret Cruise, who was born 3 June

1854, daughter of William Cruise[a] and Jane Alexander,[b] of the township of Walsingham, Norfolk county, Ont.

During his Hespeler pastorate, while preaching a sermon at Leamington, Ont., Mr. Wilson suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and died the following Wednesday, 14 September 1910. Mrs. Wilson died at Hespeler, Waterloo county, Ont., 13 January 1911. Both were buried at Wyecombe, near Lynedoch in the township of Walsingham, Norfolk county, Ont.

Children

1. George Alfred, b. July 3, 1880; d. Sept. 1, 1881
* 2. Margaret Grace Evelyn _____ (1881-)
* 3. Elizabeth Agnes Rebecca Victoria _ (1882-1926)
* 4. Mary Maud Alexandria _____ (1884-)
* 5. Jasper Maxwell Cruise _____ (1886-1925)
6. William John, b. May 6, 1893; d. June 7, 1893
* 7. Hugh Crossley _____ (1895-)

1.6.1.2.

Margaret Grace Evelyn Wilson (1881-), daughter of Jasper and Margaret (Cruise) Wilson, was born 19 September 1881 at Brigden, Lambton county, Ont. Grace taught in the St. Mary's collegiate institute and 31 October 1911 married

a. William Cruise was born in 1824, son of Peter and Joyce (Shane) Cruise, who resided near Banagher on the River Shannon, Province of Connaught, Ireland. Peter Cruise died in Ireland. In 1842 Joyce went to Canada as a widow, with her eight children, and settled at Clandeboye, Middlesex county, Ont., a small village not far from St. Mary's. In addition to William (born 1824) her children were: Robert, John, Peter, James, Elizabeth, Margaret, and Ann. Joyce lived her later life in Exeter, Huron county, Ont., having married (2) a man named Luker (or Looker).

William Cruise (born 1824), son of Peter and Joyce Cruise, took up land in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. He married Jane Alexander, sister of George Alexander, whose wife, Martha Knowles, was an aunt of R. E. Knowles, Canadian artist. Jane died 6 November 1893 and William died 30 June 1904. Both were buried at Wyecombe, Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont.

b. Jane Alexander was born 22 June 1823 at Newtown-Stewart, County Tyrone, Ireland, daughter of John Alexander and Jane (Crawford), who migrated from Ireland to Ontario in 1844 and settled in Chinguacousy township, Peel county, Ont. Newtown-Stewart is the family seat of the present (1948) Governor-General of Canada, Viscount Alexander.

Lorne Alden Richard Eedy.[a]

Lorne Eedy was graduated with the degree of B.A. from Toronto University, having specialized in political science. He spent a year in the advertising department of The MacLean Publishing Company and then, on account of the illness of his father, removed to St. Mary's to take charge of *The St. Mary's Journal.* In 1915 he bought *The Walkerton Telescope* and in 1926 returned to St. Mary's to assume the ownership of *The St. Mary's Journal-Argus.*

Mr. Eedy took a prominent part in local and national civic, educational, and religious organizations. He served as president of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers' Association in 1924, was chairman of their advertising board 1926-35, and was chairman of the Class A Weeklies of Canada 1935-40. He was president of the Associated High School Boards of Ontario 1939-40 and was for two years chairman of the St. Mary's collegiate institute board.

Mr. Eedy was an elder in the St. Mary's United church, served for several years as superintendent of the Sunday school, both at Walkerton and at St. Mary's, represented the St. Mary's church at the General Council of the United Church, and was on the executive board of the United Church Board of Publications.

On 1 July 1946 Mr. Eedy died suddenly at his summer home at Tobermory, Bruce county, a contributing cause of his death being overwork during World War II.

Children

* 1. Helen Elizabeth ____ (1912-)
* 2. John Wilson _____ (1915-)
* 3. Alice Irene _____ (1918-)

1.6.1.2.1.

Helen Elizabeth Eedy (1912-), daughter of Lorne Alden Richard and Margaret Grace Evelyn (Wilson) Eedy, was born 18 September 1912 at St. Mary's, Perth county, Ont.

a. Born 10 July 1881 at Elginfield, Middlesex county, Ont., only son of John Wolfe and Sarah Ellen (Walden) Eedy. See Appendix 4—Eedy Family.

She graduated in 1933 with honors from Victoria College, Toronto, with the degree of B.A., having taken her academic work in classical and modern languages.

In 1940, at St. Mary's, Ont., Elizabeth married James Elisha Brown, who was born in 1913, son of Dr. W. F. Brown of St. Mary's and Effie Brown, his cousin, of Flint, Mich.

James Elisha Brown was graduated from Trinity College, Toronto, in 1937; studied one year at London University, England; one year at Grenoble, France; and graduated in law from Osgoode Hall, Toronto, in 1941. In 1948 he was practising law in Brantford, Ont., where they resided.

Children

1. Kathleen, b. Apr. 17, 1943, at Brantford, Ont.
2. James Eedy, b. Nov. 3, 1945, at Brantford, Ont.
3. Sarah Ellen, b. Feb. 1, 1949, at Brantford, Ont.

1.6.1.2.2.

John Wilson Eedy (1915-), son of Lorne Alden Richard and Margaret Grace Evelyn (Wilson) Eedy, was born 21 April 1915 at St. Mary's, Ont. He graduated in 1937 from Victoria College, Toronto, with the degree of B.A. He became associated with his father on *The St. Mary's Journal-Argus* in the capacity of advertising manager. He served with the Canadian Army during World War II as lieutenant with the Oxford Rifles, serving in Canada and the United Kingdom from 3 May 1942 to 28 August 1945. In 1943 he married Dorothy Mae Strom (1924-), of Prince George, B.C., daughter of Lars E. Strom, who was born in 1890 near Stockholm, Sweden, and Helga Marie Tostenson, who was born in Norway in 1900 and died in 1930.

Children

1. John Wilson, b. Sept. 30, 1944, at St. Mary's, Ont.
2. Robin Strom, b. Sept. 17, 1947, at St. Mary's, Ont.

1.6.1.2.3.

Alice Irene Eedy (1918-), daughter of Lorne Alden Richard and Margaret Grace Evelyn (Wilson) Eedy, was born

17 February 1918 at Walkerton, Ont. She graduated in 1939 from Victoria College, Toronto, and in 1941 from the School of Social Science, Toronto. She did social service work in Vancouver, B.C., and in 1948 was in Toronto with the York County Children's Aid Society.

1.6.1.3.

Elizabeth Agnes Rebecca Victoria Wilson (1882-1926), daughter of Jasper and Margaret (Cruise) Wilson, was born 11 December 1882 at Camlachie, Lambton county, Ont. She taught school, and was sent by the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Church of Canada in 1918 to teach the children of missionaries at Chengtu, West China. She was for six years principal of the Canadian mission school at Chengtu. She died while home on furlough 3 November 1926 and was buried at Brantford, Ont. She was unmarried.

1.6.1.4.

Mary Maud Alexandria Wilson (1884-), daughter of Jasper and Margaret (Cruise) Wilson, was born 3 September 1884 at Camlachie, Lambton county, Ont. On 30 December 1903 she married John Franklin Reycraft,[a] minister of the United Church of Canada. He preached in various pastorates in Ontario until November 1947, when he retired, residing (1948) at 570 Water Street, Peterborough, Ont.

Children

* 1. Margaret Elizabeth _____ (1905-)
* 2. John McLaren _____ (1907-)
* 3. Jasper Maxwell Franklin _____ (1908-)
4. Dorothy Mary, b. May 25, 1910; d. July 11, 1931

1.6.1.4.1.

Margaret Elizabeth Reycraft (1905-), daughter of John Franklin and Mary Maud Alexandria (Wilson) Reycraft, was born 17 June 1905 at Ridgetown, Kent county, Ont. On 21 June 1930 she married Kenneth Cragg, newspaper column-

a. Born 15 May 1879 in Ireland, son of John Reycraft and his wife ——— McLaren. John Reycraft went from Ireland to Canada and settled at Highgate, Kent county, Ont., where he was a farmer and cattle buyer.

ist and author of *Father on the Farm,* published 1947. They resided at 406 Huron Street, Ottawa, Ont. On 16 February 1948 Kenneth died, at the age of 43.

Children

1. Charles Brian _____ (1933-)
2. Catherine Margaret ___ (1936-)

1.6.1.4.2.

John McLaren Reycraft (1907-), son of John Franklin and Mary Maud Alexandria (Wilson) Reycraft, was born 3 January 1907 at Wheatley, Essex county, Ont. He was a lawyer. He enlisted 19 September 1939 and served with the Canadian Army during World War II in Canada, in the United Kingdom, and in Continental Europe. He had the rank of captain. He received his discharge 27 October 1944.

Mr. Reycraft married (1) in 1936 Irene Craven, from whom he was divorced in 1939. He married (2) Mrs. Maud Merle Pearsoll Bailey of Bloomfield and Picton, Prince Edward county, Ont., from whom he was divorced in 1944. He had no children.

1.6.1.4.3.

Jasper Maxwell Franklin Reycraft (1908-), son of John Franklin and Mary Maud Alexandria (Wilson) Reycraft, was born 2 April 1908 at Port Lambton, Lambton county, Ont.

Mr. Reycraft was a lawyer and married in 1938 Evelyn Capling of Stratford, Perth county, Ont. During World War II he served in Canada, in the United Kingdom and in Continental Europe from 20 September 1939 to 30 April 1947. He did legal work, and was given the rank of captain. After his discharge from the Army he began the practice of law at Port Arthur, Ont. He had no children.

1.6.1.5.

Jasper Maxwell Cruise Wilson (1886-1925), son of Jasper and Margaret (Cruise) Wilson, was born 3 May 1886 at Watford, Lambton county, Ont. All his life he was afflicted with asthma. He went to the Canadian West when he was 17, and lived at Strathmore, Alta., and at Moose Jaw, Sask.

During World War I he enlisted at Calgary in the 15th Light Horse draft 21 May 1917. He served in Canada, England, and France with the 49th Battalion and was honorably discharged at London, Ont., 17 July 1919. His serial number was 2270326.

He died, unmarried, 23 November 1925, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Lorne Eedy, at Walkerton, Bruce county, Ont., and was buried at Wyecombe, Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont.

1.6.1.7.

Hugh Crossley Wilson (1895-), son of Jasper and Margaret (Cruise) Wilson, was born 6 September 1895 at Strathroy, Ont. In World War I he enlisted 4 April 1916 at Stratford, Ont., in the 110th Battalion of the Canadian Army. He served in Canada and in England with the 2nd Canadian Ordnance Reserve Depot. He was honorably discharged 11 February 1919 at London, Ont. He taught school for a short time, studied for two years at Victoria College, Toronto, and was ordained as minister in the United Church of Canada in 1925. On 5 September 1925 he married Laurel Shaw.[a] In 1948 he was stationed at Brussels, Huron county, Ont.

Children

1. Ruth Mary, b. Sept. 3, 1928
2. John Hugh, b. Sept. 1, 1931

1.6.2.

Joseph Abraham Wilson (1853-1917), son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 16 May 1853 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont.

Mr. Wilson married Jane Kennedy and they resided at South Middleton, Middleton township. Jane died in childbirth about the year 1878.

a. Born 23 November 1897 at Bayfield, Huron county, Ont., daughter of Edward Allen Shaw, minister in the Methodist Church, and his wife, Edith, daughter of George and Sarah (Crawford) Gregg of Howick township, Huron county, Ont. Mr. Shaw died 4 December 1934 and Mrs. Shaw died 21 January 1935. Both were buried at Aylmer, Ont.

Mr. Wilson went to Chatham, Kent county, Ont., where he became a grocer. He married (2) at Chatham, 14 December 1881, Mary Elizabeth Lankin, daughter of —— Lankin and his wife, Sarah Buck. By his second wife Joseph Abraham had six children, all born at Chatham, Ont.

Mary Elizabeth died 30 December 1916 of arthritis and Joseph Abraham died of cancer 16 November 1917. Both were buried at Chatham.

Children

* 1. Jasper Edwin _____ (1883-1934)
* 2. Eva Gertrude _____ (1887-)
* 3. Frank LeRoy _____ (1889-)
* 4. Ruby Viola _____ (1891-)
* 5. Joseph Percy _____ (1893-)
* 6. Elizabeth Marion ___ (1900-)

1.6.2.1.

Jasper Edwin Wilson (1883-1934), son of Joseph Abraham and Mary Elizabeth (Lankin) Wilson, was born 26 January 1883 at Chatham, Ont. He was an accountant. He married Viola, daughter of Malcolm Wigle. Viola died in the summer of 1932 and was buried at Leamington, Essex county, Ont. Jasper died 20 May 1934 of appendicitis and was buried at Cleveland, Ohio.

Child

* 1. Leonard Edwin _____ (1915-)

1.6.2.1.1.

Leonard Edwin Wilson (1915-), son of Jasper Edwin and Viola (Wigle) Wilson, was born in October 1915. He resided for a time with his grandmother at Leamington, Essex county, Ont., and in 1948 was employed on a farm near Komoka, Middlesex county, Ont.

1.6.2.2.

Eva Gertrude Wilson (1887-), daughter of Joseph Abraham and Mary Elizabeth (Lankin) Wilson, was born 24 July 1887 at Chatham, Ont. She was a teacher of vocal music. On 9 June 1943 she married Henry Gerber,[a] who was born 22

a. Son of Paul and Elizabeth (Schneider) Gerber of Welland county, Ont., in their later years residents of Chatham, where they were buried.

August 1868 at Chippewa, Welland county, Ont. Mr. Gerber was a clerk in the Ontario liquor store in Chatham, now (1948) retired. They had no children.

1.6.2.3.

Frank LeRoy Wilson (1889-), son of Joseph Abraham and Mary Elizabeth (Lankin) Wilson, was born 31 May 1889 at Chatham, Ont. On 1 April 1915 at Toronto, Ont., he married Edith Bassett,[a] who was born 5 September 1888 at Toronto, Ont. They resided at Toronto, where Mr. Wilson was employed by the Timothy Eaton Company in research work until June 1919, at which time they removed to California and settled at Los Angeles. There Mr. Wilson was manager in Bullock's departmental store for eight years; was a funeral director with W. A. Brown, undertaker, for fourteen years; and, from 1942, was employed as electrical supervisor with the Cherry Rivet Company of Los Angeles. The family residence was at 1021 West 32nd Street.

Children

* 1. Margaret Elizabeth _ (1915-)
* 2. Mary Evelyn _____ (1920-)

1.6.2.3.1.

Margaret Elizabeth Wilson (1915-), daughter of Frank LeRoy and Edith (Bassett) Wilson, was born 23 December 1915 at Chatham, Ont. In 1919 she was taken by her parents to Los Angeles, Calif. At Vancouver, B. C., 18 De-

a. Daughter of Samuel and Evelyn (Ketcheson) Bassett of Toronto, Ont., who (1948) were residing in Los Angeles, Calif.

Samuel Bassett in the early 1880's transported from Galt, Ont., the first sawmill to be erected in Prince Rupert, B. C. His wife, Evelyn, was granddaughter of Michael Henry Grass (bp. May 6, 1810), who was son of Peter (United Empire Loyalist) and Esther Grass and grandson of Captain Michael Grass, sometimes referred to as the founder of Kingston, Ont. Michael Grass, brought as a child from Germany in 1753, was a farmer in Tryon county, N. Y., when the Revolutionary War broke out. In 1777 he went to New York City and served with the city militia. He conducted a company of settlers from New York to Canada, being commissioned captain therefor by Sir Guy Carleton in July 1783. He received a Crown grant of land on which Macdonald Park, Kingston, now stands. See *Second Report of Bureau of Archives for Province of Ontario*, 1904, pp. 1258-9; ms. *History of Kingston*, 1936, by Edwin Horsey, at Queen's University, Kingston.

cember 1944, she married William Lewis Harry.[a] William Lewis served as sergeant in the Royal Canadian Air Force during World War II and (1948) was purchasing agent for Mills & Packers, Ltd., of Vancouver, B. C.

Child

1. Susan Ann, b. Oct. 29, 1946

1.6.2.3.2.

Mary Evelyn Wilson (1920-), daughter of Frank LeRoy and Edith (Bassett) Wilson, was born 17 October 1920 at Los Angeles, Calif. She married Harvey Norman Wadham, and (1948) they resided at Orangeburg, N. Y., Mr. Wadham at that time being enrolled at Columbia University, where he was working for his M. A. degree.

1.6.2.4.

Ruby Viola Wilson (1891-), daughter of Joseph Abraham and Mary Elizabeth (Lankin) Wilson, was born 15 October 1891 at Chatham, Ont. She taught piano for a number of years and was organist and choir director in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church in Chatham, where she resided at 52 Wellington St. East.

1.6.2.5.

Joseph Percy Wilson (1893-), son of Joseph Abraham and Mary Elizabeth (Lankin) Wilson, was born 6 June 1893 at Chatham, Ont. He married Hazel Jensen and, from 1912, resided in Chicago, Ill., where he was employed by the Bell Telephone Company as internal wire chief.

Child

* 1. Dorothy Elizabeth __ (1915-)

1.6.2.5.1.

Dorothy Elizabeth Wilson (1915-), daughter of Joseph Percy and Hazel (Jensen) Wilson, was born 14 May 1915. She married Frank Bauer.

a. Born 11 November 1913 at Stettler, Alta., son of Lewis Courtenay Harry of Stettler, and his wife, Ethel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Evans of Bristol, England.

1.6.2.6.

Elizabeth Marion Wilson (1900-), daughter of Joseph Abraham and Mary Elizabeth (Lankin) Wilson, was born 7 November 1900 at Chatham, Ont. For many years she was employed as stenographer by the Union Gas Company of Chatham, where she resided at 52 Wellington St. East.

1.6.3.

Charles Edgar Wilson (1855-1921), son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 17 February 1855 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. He married (1) Lavina Butler, who was born 27 September 1855, daughter of Patrick and Martha (Ellis) Butler of Norfolk county, and by her had 8 children. Lavina died 14 May 1892, and was buried in Woodland cemetery, London, Ont.

Charles Edgar married (2) his cousin Sarah Lena McCausland, daughter of William and Sarah (Wilson) McCausland,[a] by whom he had 2 children. Sarah Lena died of a kidney disorder 5 December 1901, when her second child was one week old. Mr. Wilson married (3) Ida Ellen Baker, who died in February 1937.

Charles Edgar was a farmer, first in Norfolk county; then at Brigden, Lambton county; and for many years was a dairyman and farmer near London, Ont. He moved to Calgary, Alta., in 1913, where he died 23 September 1921.

Children

* 1. Norval Butler _____ (1877-)
* 2. Charles Harry _____ (1880-1946)
* 3. Hattie Eleanor _____ (1883-)
* 4. Susan Lavina, twin of Hattie (1883-1925)
* 5. John Gorton _____ (1885-1939)
* 6. Martha Ethel _____ (1887-)
* 7. Margaret Carrie _____ (1890-)
* 8. Alice Amy _____ (1892-1918)
* 9. Howard Edgar _____ (1900-)
* 10. Sarah Lena _____ (1901-)

a. See Appendix 11—Wilson Family.

1.6.3.1.

Norval Butler Wilson (1877-), son of Charles Edgar and Lavina (Butler) Wilson, was born 12 June 1877 in Norfolk county, Ont. He was a farmer. On 24 August 1898 he married Edith Stephens[a] who was born 29 May 1871 at Hamilton, Ont. In 1936 Mr. and Mrs. Wilson went to California and Mr. Wilson engaged in real estate business at Los Angeles. Eight years later, on 23 October 1944, Edith died and was buried at Los Angeles. Norval married (2) Irene M. Bly, widow, of Los Angeles, 9 September 1945. In 1946 they moved to San Gabriel, Calif.

Child

* 1. Lavina _____ (1903-)

1.6.3.1.1.

Lavina Wilson (1903-), daughter of Norval Butler and Edith (Stephens) Wilson, was born 20 January 1903 at London, Ont. On 5 July 1919 at Calgary, Alta., she married LeRoy Fitzpatrick, who was born 25 September 1898 at Barnesville, Minn., son of Charles Fitzpatrick[a] and Charlotte Wantke. LeRoy was a farmer. They resided at Vulcan, Alta.

Children

* 1. Lorraine _____ (1920-)
* 2. Eileene _____ (1923-)
* 3. Charles _____ (1927-)

1.6.3.1.1.1.

Lorraine Fitzpatrick (1920-), daughter of LeRoy and Lavina (Wilson) Fitzpatrick, was born 8 January 1920. On 30 September 1938 at Calgary, Alta., she married William

a. Daughter of Thomas Stephens, of Hamilton, Ont., by profession a trunk maker, son of Otis Stephens of England. Thomas as a young lad went to Canada as a stowaway. He married Isabella, daughter of William and Margaret Powell of Hamilton, Ont.

a. Charles Fitzpatrick was born in Ontario, son of Henry and Mary Fitzpatrick, who migrated to Canada from Ireland. Charles married, at St. Paul, Minn., Charlotte Wantke, daughter of Frederick and Katherine Wantke of Minnesota, formerly of Germany. Charles and Charlotte went to Vulcan, Alta., and took up a homestead in 1910.

Henry Fletcher[a] who was born 24 February 1918 at Brant, Alta. Mr. Fletcher was a farmer.

Child

1. Barbara Lee, b. June 20, 1939, at Vulcan, Alta.

1.6.3.1.1.2.

Eileene Fitzpatrick (1923-), daughter of LeRoy and Lavina (Wilson) Fitzpatrick, was born 19 April 1923 at Port Alberni, B. C. On 27 June 1948 in the Knox United church at Calgary, Alta., she married Harvey Meachem Read, farmer of Nanton, Alta. Harvey was born at Nanton 29 December 1923, son of Walter Read[a] and Stella Meachem.

Harvey served for three years during World War II in the Royal Canadian Air Force as a wireless operator, and after the war returned to his farm at Nanton.

1.6.3.1.1.3.

Charles Fitzpatrick (1927-), son of LeRoy and Lavina (Wilson) Fitzpatrick, was born 7 February 1927 at Vulcan, Alta. He graduated from the Vulcan high school in 1946 and in 1948 was working on his father's farm at Vulcan.

1.6.3.2.

Charles Harry Wilson (1880-1946), son of Charles Edgar and Lavina (Butler) Wilson, was born in Norfolk county, Ont., where his father was a farmer. Charles Harry went to Alberta in 1902 and after a few years homesteaded near Coronation, Alta., where he remained until 1917, when he removed to Salmon Arms, B. C. He moved to Penticton, B. C., in 1936 and retired from active work in 1943. He died of a heart ailment 20 April 1946. He was buried in the Lakeview cemetery at Penticton. His widow, the former Martha Smith, who was born in South Dakota and went to Canada in 1902, was residing in 1948 in the family home at Penticton.

a. Son of Frank and Laura (Henderson) Fletcher, both of whom were born in Oregon. They went to Brant, Alta., in the early 1900's.

a. Walter Read was born in Iowa and went to Nanton, Alta., with his parents in 1904. His wife, Stella Meachem, was born in Winnipeg, Man.

Children

* 1. Charles Wesley _____ (-)
* 2. Norval Roderick ____ (1923-)

1.6.3.2.1.

Charles Wesley Wilson (-), son of Charles Harry and Martha (Smith) Wilson, married Florence Hanna and resided at Sterco, Alberta. They had 4 children: Donald, who was born in 1932; Douglas and Kenneth (twins), who were born in 1937; and Barry Norval, who was born in 1945.

1.6.3.2.2.

Norval Roderick Wilson (1923-), son of Charles Harry and Martha (Smith) Wilson, was born in 1923. During World War II he served as a gunner in the Royal Canadian Air Force. On 31 May 1947 he married Ethel Waters and they resided at Penticton, B. C.

1.6.3.3.

Hattie Eleanor Wilson (1883-), daughter of Charles Edgar and Lavina (Butler) Wilson, was born 12 May 1883 near Brigden, Lambton county, Ont. She was twin of Susan. On 10 June 1910 in Middlesex county, Ont., Hattie Eleanor married Joseph Wannop,[a] who was born 14 December 1877. Mr. and Mrs. Wannop farmed near Scollard, Alta., and in 1944 moved to Carlea, Sask., where Mr. Wannop was carpenter at the Two Rivers Bible Institute.

Children

* 1. Lawrence Edgar _____ (1912-)
* 2. Bruce Graham _____ (1915-)
* 3. Charles Donald Wilson __ (1921-)

1.6.3.3.1.

Lawrence Edgar Wannop (1912-), son of Joseph and Hattie Eleanor (Wilson) Wannop, was born 13 January 1912 at Calgary, Alta. He married Elizabeth Clark, daughter of

a. Son of James Lawrence Wannop and his wife Mary Graham, who resided at Calgary, Alta. Mr. Wannop migrated to Canada from Cumberland county, England, in 1862 and took up a homestead in Manitoba near Neepawa. In 1906 he moved to Alberta, settling east of Parkland. He later retired to live in Calgary.

Michael Clark (who was killed in action in World War I) and his wife Elizabeth. Lawrence Edgar and Elizabeth resided at Nanton, Alta., where Mr. Wannop was engaged in the vulcanizing business.

Children

1. Alan Lawrence, b. May 14, 1943
2. Joan, b. Sept. 5, 1945

1.6.3.3.2.

Bruce Graham Wannop (1915-), son of Joseph and Hattie Eleanor (Wilson) Wannop, was born 16 October 1915 at Calgary, Alta. Mr. Wannop studied at Three Hills Bible Institute, Alta., from which institution he graduated in 1937. Two years later he went to Two Rivers Bible Institute at Carlea, Sask., and became principal of that Institute in 1945. On 10 October 1941 he married Dorothy Turnbull, who was born 7 January 1921, daughter of Fred and Diana Elizabeth Turnbull, farmers, of Heath, Alta.

Child

1. Eleanor Elizabeth, b. May 19, 1945

1.6.3.3.3.

Charles Donald Wilson Wannop (1921-), son of Joseph and Hattie Eleanor (Wilson) Wannop, was born 20 May 1921 at Calgary, Alta. On 8 December 1942 during World War II Charles enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force and was trained as a crane operator and truck driver. He went overseas in 1943. On his return he married Lois Holter, who was born 1 May 1929, daughter of William and Mary Holter, farmers of the Nipawin district of Saskatchewan. In 1948 Mr. Wannop was a taxi driver at Prince George, B. C., where they resided.

1.6.3.4.

Susan Lavina Wilson (1883-1925), daughter of Charles Edgar and Lavina (Butler) Wilson, was born 12 May 1883 near Brigden, Lambton county, Ont. She was twin of Hattie Eleanor.

On 12 April 1911 at Lambeth, Middlesex county, Ont.,

Susan Lavina married Ezra George Hillis,[a] who was born 5 November 1887 at Courtland, Norfolk county, Ont. Mr. Hillis farmed near Delhi, Norfolk county, Ont., until 1911, at which time he removed to Manitoba, settling at Roseisle.

Mrs. Hillis died 28 August 1925 at Winnipeg, Man. She was buried in the Brookside cemetery at Winnipeg.

Children

* 1. Dora _____ (1913-)
* 2. Susan _____ (1914-)
* 3. Charles George _____ (1917-)
* 4. Ezra _____ (1922-1936)

1.6.3.4.1.

Dora Hillis (1913-), daughter of Ezra George and Susan Lavina (Wilson) Hillis, was born 30 June 1913 at Roseisle, Man. On 30 June 1934 she married John Dixon, who was born 28 March 1909, at Winnipeg, Man. Mr. Dixon was a salesman. They resided at 1850 Logan Ave., Winnipeg.

Children

1. Dorothy Joan, b. Apr. 1, 1937
2. Patricia Ann, b. Aug. 20, 1943
3. Kenneth John, b. Feb. 13, 1946

1.6.3.4.2.

Susan Hillis (1914-), daughter of Ezra George and Susan Lavina (Wilson) Hillis, was born 9 September 1914 at Roseisle, Man. On 21 June 1941 at Winnipeg, Man., she married Marcus John Morgan-Jones, who was born 18 January 1913 at Winnipeg, son of John Samuel and Elizabeth Madeline (Brownrigg) Morgan-Jones.

Marcus attended St. John's College, Winnipeg, after which he became associated with his father in the latter's wholesale commission brokerage business, the C. & J. Jones Company, Ltd., of Winnipeg. During World War II Marcus served from 1943 to 1946 in the Royal Canadian Air Force. They

a. Son of George Edwin Hillis, farmer of Courtland, Ont., and his wife Lovenia Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Weeks of Guysborough, Norfolk county, Ont. George Edwin Hillis was son of James Hillis, who migrated to Canada from County Armagh, Ireland, about 1830 and settled near Courtland, Ont.

resided at Fort Garry, Man. They had a daughter, Lynda Mae, who was born 18 June 1947.

1.6.3.4.3.

Charles George Hillis (1917-), son of Ezra George and Susan Lavina (Wilson) Hillis, was born 12 October 1917 at Winnipeg, Man. During World War II Charles enlisted 19 December 1940 in the Canadian Army and served with the Royal Canadian Artillery. He trained in southern England and took part in the invasion of Italy. While surveying for a gun position for the 2nd Field Regiment he was injured by an enemy antipersonnel mine 4 December 1943. He was discharged from the Army 10 August 1944 in Winnipeg and later received a 60% disability pension.

On 2 June 1943 at Cardiff, Wales, Charles married Queenie May Ferris, who was born 1 July 1920 at Plymouth, England, daughter of Thomas Ferris, naval stores inspector, and his wife, Edith Dark.

In 1948 Charles resided at Winnipeg, where he was an electrical draughtsman with the Winnipeg Electric Company.

Children

1. Julie Marion, b. July 31, 1945
2. Beverley Susan, b. Aug. 8, 1946

1.6.3.4.4.

Ezra Hillis, Jr., (1922-1936), son of Ezra George and Susan Lavina (Wilson) Hillis, was born 14 April 1922 at Winnipeg, Man. He died 10 April 1936 at Winnipeg.

1.6.3.5.

John Gorton Wilson (1885-1939), son of Charles Edgar and Lavina (Butler) Wilson, was born 19 March 1885 at Brigden, Lambton county, Ont. He grew up near London, Ont., on a dairy farm to which his parents had moved. In 1905 he went to the Canadian West and in the following year he homesteaded near Parkland, Alta., later purchasing another

half-section of land. On 1 December 1909 he married Margaret Ethel Thomson,[a] schoolteacher of Parkland, who was born at Galt, Ont., 9 August 1883.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were members of the United church at Parkland, in which both took an active interest. Mr. Wilson was prominent also in community affairs of the pioneer settlement. He was of a cheerful disposition and generous nature. He died suddenly, of a heart attack, 16 November 1939 and it was said of him that in his funeral procession, which stretched a mile along the prairie road, there was probably not a person to whom he had not rendered some friendly service. In 1948 Mrs. Wilson was residing on the homestead.

Children

* 1. George Alexander _____ (1910-)
* 2. John James Edgar _____ (1913-1921)
* 3. Nellie Butler _____ (1915-1921)
* 4. Dorcas Wilhelmine _____ (1919-)
* 5. Jane Ethel _____ (1923-)

1.6.3.5.1.

George Alexander Wilson (1910-), eldest son of John Gorton and Margaret Ethel (Thomson) Wilson, was born 26

a. Daughter of George Brodie Thomson and his wife, Helen Wilson, of Galt, Ont.

George Brodie Thomson was born 8 October 1859 near Doon, Waterloo county, Ont., son of James Thomson (1825-1886) and his wife, Margaret Brodie (1830-1910). James was son of Alexander Thomson and his wife, Margaret Richardson.

Margaret Brodie (1830-1910) was born at Montreal, Que., when her parents reached Montreal on their way from Scotland to Waterloo county, Ont., where they settled. Her father was George Brodie and her mother was Jane Perrin Whitside. George Brodie was younger son of a wealthy farmer of Peebleshire, Scotland; Jane Perrin Whitside, whom George married, had been the farm's pretty laundry maid. George and Jane received generous financial assistance from the Brodie family in Scotland and shared in the estate when it was divided.

Helen (Wilson) Thomson was born 4 April 1858 near Galt, Ont., daughter of Alexander Wilson (1826-1903) and Agnes Brown (1826-1890). Helen taught school before her marriage 25 January 1881. She died 12 May 1937 and was buried in the Burnsland cemetery at Calgary, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brodie Thomson removed from Galt in 1904 and settled near Parkland, Alta., where they resided until 1918, when they retired from farming

September 1910 at Parkland, Alta. In 1948 he was a farmer, residing on the family homestead at Parkland.

1.6.3.5.2.

John James Edgar Wilson (1913-1921), son of John Gorton and Margaret Ethel (Thomson) Wilson, was born 19 June 1913 at Parkland, Alta. He died of diphtheria 16 May 1921.

1.6.3.5.3.

Nellie Butler Wilson (1915-1921), daughter of John Gorton and Margaret Ethel (Thomson) Wilson, was born 17 May 1915 at Parkland, Alta. She died of diphtheria 10 May 1921.

1.6.3.5.4.

Dorcas Wilhelmine Wilson (1919-), daughter of John Gorton and Margaret Ethel (Thomson) Wilson, was born 31 October 1919 at Calgary, Alta. On 1 November 1941 she married George Crews Loree,[a] farmer of Parkland, Alta. Both were active in church and community affairs, Dorcas being organist in the local United church. They had a son, James Wilson, who was born 16 October 1944.

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and took up residence in Calgary, Alta. There Mrs. Thomson died in 1937. They had 6 children, all except the youngest having red hair. They were:

(1) Agnes Wilhelmine, who was born 15 May 1882; married William C. Magee; and (1948) resided, a widow, at Hopkins Landing, B.C.

(2) Margaret Ethel, who was born 9 August 1883; and married John Gorton Wilson (see above)

(3) Mary Beatrice, who was born 11 December 1884; and married Walter G. Hawk, farmer of Parkland, Alta.

(4) James, who was born 3 March 1887; and practiced surgery at Seattle, Wash.

(5) Georgina Helen, M. A., who was born 15 August 1892; and served as reference librarian in the public library at Calgary, Alta.

(6) Charlotte, registered nurse, who was born 16 October 1894; and married Warwick Linton, who served in the 8th Field Ambulance Corps in World War I and died in 1924, leaving his widow, who resided (1948) at Calgary, Alta.

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a. Born 7 July 1917, son of David Leslie and Jessie (Stirling) Loree, of Nanton, Alta. David Leslie Loree moved from Manitoba to Nanton about 1900. His grandfather,

1.6.3.5.5.

Jane Ethel Wilson (1923-), daughter of John Gorton and Margaret Ethel (Thomson) Wilson, was born 5 April 1923 at Calgary, Alta. She taught school for two years, then, 7 October 1944, married Gerald Percival Loree,[a] farmer of Nanton, Alta. They had a son, John Hartley, who was born 8 October 1946.

1.6.3.6.

Martha Ethel Wilson (1887-), daughter of Charles Edgar and Lavina (Butler) Wilson, was born 29 December 1887 at Brigden, Lambton county, Ont. On 24 November 1909 at Lambeth, Middlesex county, Ont., she married James Hamilton Kilbourne,[a] who was born 22 November 1883 in Delaware township, Middlesex county, Ont. James was a farmer. They were members of the United Church and resided at Kilworth Bridge, Middlesex county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Ellen Lavina _____ (1915-)
* 2. Alma Margaret _____ (1919-)

1.6.3.6.1.

Ellen Lavina Kilbourne (1915-), daughter of James Hamilton and Martha Ethel (Wilson) Kilbourne, was born 31

William Loree, moved from Ontario to Manitoba in 1879 when Winnipeg was Fort Garry. He went via the United States, and hoped to get down the Red River by boat, but the river was frozen over and he had to buy wagons and horses and trek in from Grand Forks, N. D., to his homestead. William was grandson of John Loree, who is said to have settled near Brantford, Ont., about 1785. The family is descended from John Loree, of French ancestry, who died in 1727 at Southold, Long Island.

a. Born 2 August 1920, son of Hartley George Loree of Nanton, Alta., formerly of Manitoba, who died in 1946, and Katherine Wakely of Roland, Man. Hartley George went from Manitoba to Nanton about 1900. He was grandson of William Loree, who went from Ontario to Manitoba in 1879 (see Dorcas Wilhelmine Wilson 1.6.3.5.4., note a).

a. Son of Samuel D. Kilbourne. See Appendix 9—Kilbourne Family.

July 1915 in Delaware township, Middlesex county, Ont. On 29 August 1942 she married Joseph Montague of London, Ont. In 1948 they were residing in London, where Mr. Montague was head of a department in the Kelvinator Company.

Children

1. Carol Ann _____ (1944-1945)
2. Patricia Diane _____ (1947-)

1.6.3.6.2.

Alma Margaret Kilbourne (1919-), daughter of James Hamilton and Martha Ethel (Wilson) Kilbourne, was born 23 October 1919 in Delaware township, Middlesex county, Ont. In 1948 she was employed as an elevator operator by the T. Eaton Company, Ltd., Toronto, Ont.

1.6.3.7.

Margaret Carrie Wilson (1890-), daughter of Charles Edgar and Lavina (Butler) Wilson, was born in Middlesex county, Ont. At Calgary, Alta., she married Stanley R. Hunt, B.A., B.D., son of Ezra and Julia (Sutton) Hunt. He was a minister of the United Church of Canada and (1947) resided at Carseland, Alta., about twenty miles from Calgary.

Children

* 1. Harold Wilson
* 2. Margaret Gwendolyn
3. Julia

1.6.3.7.1.

Harold Wilson Hunt (-), son of Stanley R. and Margaret Carrie (Wilson) Hunt, was an accountant in Calgary, Alta., in 1947.

1.6.3.7.2.

Margaret Gwendolyn Hunt (-), daughter of Stanley R. and Margaret Carrie (Wilson) Hunt, was teaching school in Calgary in 1947.

1.6.3.8.

Alice Amy Wilson (1892-1918), daughter of Charles Edgar and Lavina (Butler) Wilson, was born in Middlesex county, Ont. She attended business school and later married John Kerr, who went from Ireland to Canada about 1916. He was born about 1890 at Newry, County Down, Ireland, son of Robert and Margaret[a] (Dempster) Kerr of Newry. Alice and John resided in Camrose, Alta., where John was employed by the Alexander Grocery Company. In 1918 both Alice Amy and her husband died in the influenza epidemic. They were buried in the Presbyterian churchyard at Camrose. Their surviving child, then an infant, was taken by Canadian friends of his parents to Badentoy, Newry, to be brought up by his paternal grandparents.

Children

1. Charles Ewen, b. Aug. 21, 1917; d. Aug. 28, 1917
* 2. John Harry Alexander _____ (1918-)

1.6.3.8.2.

John Harry Alexander Kerr (1918-), son of John and Alice Amy (Wilson) Kerr, was born 21 November 1918 at Camrose, Alta. When he was a few weeks old he was orphaned by the deaths of his parents during the influenza epidemic of 1918. He was taken to Badentoy, the home of his paternal grandparents, Robert and Margaret (Dempster) Kerr, in the town of Newry, County Down, Ireland. Both his grandparents died when he was a few years old, and he was raised by his aunts.

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a. Margaret was daughter of John Dempster, of Ayrshire, Scotland, who founded the Kerr Linen Thread Company in Ireland.

John at first attended a small private school run by a family friend, and at ten years of age was sent to the Newry intermediate school. He then attended Campbell College, Belfast, from which he matriculated to Trinity University, Dublin. He was studying in the Liverpool School of Architecture when World War II broke out. He joined the Royal Ulster Rifles and was with them until his battalion was turned into a light anti-aircraft regiment. In 1942 he took training with the Glider Pilots and later went into a reconnaissance squadron in the Airborne Division. As a member of this squadron he saw service in North Africa and Italy. He was wounded at Arnheim, Holland, in the autumn of 1944 and was taken prisoner, being released on VE day, 8 May 1945.

In 1948 John was finishing his course in the Liverpool School of Architecture.

1.6.3.9.

Howard Edgar Wilson (1900-), son of Charles Edgar and Sarah Lena (McCausland) Wilson, was born 6 July 1900 in Middlesex county, Ont. His wife's name was Edith. He resided at Calgary, Alta.

1.6.3.10.

Sarah Lena Wilson (1901-), daughter of Charles Edgar and Sarah Lena (McCausland) Wilson, was born 28 November 1901 in Middlesex county, Ont. In 1948 she resided at 502-17th Ave., West, Calgary, Alta.

1.6.4.

Anna Jane Wilson (1856-1929), daughter of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 18 October 1856 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. At Brigden, Lambton county, Ont., she married Edwin Jacob Williams,[a] blacksmith

a. Born 15 October 1857, son of Israel and Eunice May (Griffin) Williams. Israel Williams owned a farm in Halton county and had a planing mill at Glen Williams, Halton county. Tradition in the family is that Israel was descended from Roger Williams (1604-1684), founder of the Rhode Island colony.

of South Middleton. They resided at Clifford, Wellington county; at Cranbrook, Huron county; in Delaware township and in Delaware village, Middlesex county; at Lambeth in Middlesex county; and at London, Ont. Mrs. Williams died 2 December 1929, and Mr. Williams died 6 March 1943. Both were buried in the Oakland cemetery at Delaware village, Middlesex county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Nellie May _____ (1883-)
* 2. Grace Lillian _____ (1885-)
* 3. Rosalie Gertrude ___ (1887-)
* 4. David Wilson _____ (1889-)
* 5. Susan Evelyn _____ (1891-)
* 6. Jennie Edna _____ (1893-)

1.6.4.1.

Nellie May Williams (1883-), daughter of Edwin Jacob and Anna Jane (Wilson) Williams, was born 29 September 1883 at Clifford, Wellington county, Ont. She was a nurse by profession and, in 1948, was supervisor in the north building at Ontario Hospital, London. On 27 September 1947 she married William James Jones, monument engraver of London, Ont., who was born 22 June 1881, son of Samuel and Julia Jones of Kerrwood, Middlesex county, Ont. They resided at 417 Grey Street, London, Ont.

1.6.4.2.

Grace Lillian Williams (1885-), daughter of Edwin Jacob and Anna Jane (Wilson) Williams, was born 20 March 1885 at Clifford, Wellington county, Ont. She was employed by the Bank of Commerce in Hamilton, Ont., for many years and was later pensioned. In 1948 she resided at 75 Queen Street, Hamilton, Ont.

1.6.4.3.

Rosalie Gertrude Williams (1887-), daughter of Edwin Jacob and Anna Jane (Wilson) Williams, was born 6 February 1887 at Clifford, Wellington county, Ont. At Delaware, Ont., on 23 April 1910 she married William Victor Llewellyn Jones, who was born 16 December 1879, son of William Philip Jones, market gardener of Baltimore, Northumberland county, Ont., and his wife Maria Huzzey. Victor was a meat merchant of Delaware, Middlesex county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Anna Gertrude _____ (1911-)
* 2. Beatrice Evelyn ____ (1913-)
* 3. Grace Lenore _____ (1918-)
* 4. William Alan _____ (1921-)

1.6.4.3.1.

Anna Gertrude Jones (1911-), daughter of William Victor Llewellyn and Rosalie Gertrude (Williams) Jones, was born 10 March 1911 at Delaware, Middlesex county, Ont. She worked as a practical nurse before her marriage 30 August 1941 to John Lownsbrough Hoyle, who was born 27 November 1912 at Three Rivers, Que.

1.6.4.3.2.

Beatrice Evelyn Jones (1913-), daughter of William Victor Llewellyn and Rosalie Gertrude (Williams) Jones, was born 10 April 1913 at Delaware, Middlesex county, Ont. She worked as office supervisor in the London Life Insurance Company until her marriage 30 May 1942 to Walter Herbert Adams, warehouse clerk in the Imperial Oil Company, Ltd., who was born 16 March 1912 at Toronto, Ont.

1.6.4.3.3.

Grace Lenore Jones (1918-), daughter of William Victor Llewellyn and Rosalie Gertrude (Williams) Jones, was born 5 September 1918 at Delaware, Middlesex county, Ont.

In June 1942 she graduated as a nurse from Victoria Hospital, London, Ont., and during World War II served as a nurse, with the rank of lieutenant, in the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps. After the war she was in Sunnybrook Hospital, Toronto, Ont. On 24 July 1948 she married Stanley Edward Gillespie, who was born 25 March 1909 at Baden, Waterloo county, Ont. Mr. Gillespie was foreman with the Ferranti Electrical Company at Weston, York county, Ont.

1.6.4.3.4.

William Alan Jones (1921-), son of William Victor Llewellyn and Rosalie Gertrude (Williams) Jones, was born 27 September 1921 at Delaware, Middlesex county, Ont. During World War II William Alan served as hospital assistant with the Royal Canadian Air Force. On 7 June 1943 at London, Ont., he married Helen Elizabeth Calvert, who was born 31 May 1921 at London, Ont., where her father was teacher of biology in London South collegiate institute. Before her marriage Helen was stenographer with the London Life Insurance Company. William Alan attended the Huron Theological College at London, Ont., received his B.A. degree in 1947, and in 1948 was pursuing further studies at the University of Western Ontario at London in preparation for ministry in the Anglican Church.

Children

1. Karen Elizabeth, b. July 25, 1944
2. Barbara Laureen, b. Oct. 18, 1945

1.6.4.4.

David Wilson Williams (1889-), son of Edwin Jacob and Anna Jane (Wilson) Williams, was born 25 December 1889 at Cranbrook, Huron county, Ont. After study at London collegiate institute and at Victoria University, Toronto, he was ordained in June 1916 to preach in the United Church of Canada. On 5 July 1916, at London, he married Gladys

May McKinnon, who was born 24 January 1889, daughter of Lachlan and Hannah (Watson) McKinnon of London, Ont. In 1948 he was stationed at Wallaceburg, Kent county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Eunice Margaret ___ (1918-)
* 2. Gladys Ruth _____ (1921-)

1.6.4.4.1.

Eunice Margaret Williams (1918-), daughter of David Wilson Williams and Gladys May (McKinnon), was born 20 January 1918 at London, Ont. Before her marriage she worked at the Hydro-electric Power Commission, Chatham, Ont. On 1 November 1941 she married Irvine J. Rikley, farmer, who was born 17 May 1917, son of Olin Rikley, farmer, and his wife, Jeanette Steen, who was born 13 April 1892, daughter of William Henry and Mary Rebecca (Green) Steen.

Children

1. John David, b. Sept. 22, 1943
2. James Williams, b. Sept. 10, 1947

1.6.4.4.2.

Gladys Ruth Williams (1921-), daughter of David Wilson Williams and Gladys May (McKinnon), was born 2 May 1921 at London, Ont. She attended London Normal School and taught school for five years before her marriage 29 December 1942 to Murray Newkirk, plumber, who was born 18 February 1913 at Wallaceburg, Ont., son of George Newkirk, plumber, and Mary Brown, daughter of William R. and Jane (Drummond) Brown.

Children

1. Margaret Elizabeth, b. May 6, 1946
2. David George, b. Apr. 23, 1948

1.6.4.5.

Susan Evelyn Williams (1891-), daughter of Edwin Jacob and Anna Jane (Wilson) Williams, was born 14 August 1891 at Cranbrook, Huron county, Ont. On 4 April 1917 at Lambeth, Ont., she married Arnold Louis Christiani, who was born 13 March 1889 at Georgetown, British Guiana, South America, son of Eno Lambertus Christiani, auctioneer of antiques, and his wife, Eugenie Loth, who was born 27 July 1870 in Dutch Guiana. Arnold died 6 September 1938 and Susan resided (1948) at London, Ont.

Children

* 1. David Lambert _____ (1918-)
* 2. Evelyn Louise _____ (1919-)
* 3. Anna Eugenie _____ (1920-)
* 4. Evan Williams _____ (1921-)
* 5. Robert Arnold _____ (1923-)
* 6. Lenore _____ (1924-)
* 7. Marion Eloise _____ (1926-)
* 8. John Lionel _____ (1931-)

1.6.4.5.1.

David Lambert Christiani (1918-), son of Arnold Louis and Susan Evelyn (Williams) Christiani, was born 13 February 1918 at Lambeth, Middlesex county, Ont. He attended London Central collegiate institute. During World War II he served with the Canadian Army in France and in Holland.

1.6.4.5.2.

Evelyn Louise Christiani (1919-), daughter of Arnold Louis and Susan Evelyn (Williams) Christiani, was born 14 February 1919 at London, Ont. She attended London Central collegiate institute and Westervelt's College. During World War II she served for three years in the women's division of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

1.6.4.5.3.

Anna Eugenie Christiani (1920-), daughter of Arnold Louis and Susan Evelyn (Williams) Christiani, was born 7 August 1920 at London, Ont. She attended the Technical high school in London.

1.6.4.5.4.

Evan Williams Christiani (1921-), son of Arnold Louis and Susan Evelyn (Williams) Christiani, was born 26 October 1921 at London, Ont. He attended the London Central collegiate institute and the Technical high school. During World War II he spent six months overseas. On 26 January 1947 he married ReaBelle Clifford, who was born 22 May 1922 at Loverne, Sask. She attended public school and the Beck collegiate institute at London, Ont.

1.6.4.5.5.

Robert Arnold Christiani (1923-), son of Arnold Louis and Susan Evelyn (Williams) Christiani, was born 13 March 1923 at London, Ont. He attended the London Central collegiate institute. He was serving with the Canadian forces during World War II when he was invalided home from Italy, suffering from war exhaustion. On 8 August 1947 he married Marion Elaine Brown, who was born at Tupperville, Kent county, Ont., 24 March 1924, and attended school at Chatham, Ont.

1.6.4.5.6.

Lenore Christiani (1924-), daughter of Arnold Louis and Susan Evelyn (Williams) Christiani, was born 1 July 1924 at London, Ont. She attended the London Central collegiate institute.

1.6.4.5.7.

Marion Eloise Christiani (1926-), daughter of Arnold Louis and Susan Evelyn (Williams) Christiani, was born 4 December 1926 at London, Ont. She attended London Cen-

tral collegiate institute. On 2 August 1947 she married Bruce Derek Orr, who was born at London, Ont., 30 July 1926. Bruce was a graduate of Albert College, Belleville, Ont.

1.6.4.5.8.

John Lionel Christiani (1931-), son of Arnold Louis and Susan Evelyn (Williams) Christiani, was born 16 September 1931 at London, Ont. He attended the Technical high school in London, Ont.

1.6.4.6.

Jennie Edna Williams (1893-), daughter of Edwin Jacob and Anna Jane (Wilson) Williams, was born 27 June 1893 at Cranbrook, Huron county, Ont. She attended Central collegiate institute in London, Ont., and clerked in a store and in the post office until her marriage at Lambeth, Middlesex county, Ont., 20 April 1916 to Sharon Sifton Kelly. Sharon was son of William John Kelly of Lambeth, who was born 3 February 1852 at Exeter, Huron county, Ont., and his wife, Sarah Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Sifton.

Sharon graduated in 1913 in electrical engineering from the University of Toronto School of Practical Science and (1948) was a contractor, with residence at Lambeth.

Children

* 1. Edwin Routledge ___ (1920-)
* 2. Edna Isobel _____ (1922-)

1.6.4.6.1.

Edwin Routledge Kelly (1920-), son of Sharon Sifton and Jennie Edna (Williams) Kelly, was born 25 May 1920 at Lambeth, Middlesex county, Ont. He graduated in 1941 with the degree of B.A. in biology and chemistry from the University of Western Ontario at London, Ont. During World War II he worked for the defense industries as a chemist in Winnipeg, Man., after which he spent four years as a chemist with the Imperial Oil Company. In 1948 he was in business in Sarnia, Ont.

1.6.4.6.2.

Edna Isobel Kelly (1922-), daughter of Sharon Sifton and Jennie Edna (Williams) Kelly, was born 10 October 1922 at Lambeth, Middlesex county, Ont. She attended the University of Western Ontario at London, Ont., and then trained as a nurse in Victoria Hospital, London, Ont., graduating in 1946 with the degree of B. Sc. N. She was a public health nurse in the Kirkland-Larder Lake Health Unit at Larder Lake, Ont. At Lambeth, Ont., 29 December 1948, she married William Milne Tovell, accountant, of Kirkland Lake, who served for three years during World War II as pilot in the Royal Canadian Air Force. He was son of Leon Tovell and Frances Victoria Tripp, daughter of John and Catharine (Masters) Tripp.

1.6.5.

Susan Wilson (1858-1930), daughter of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 29 July 1858 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. She married 7 March 1883 at Oil Springs, Lambton county, Ont., John Thompson, a farmer. Of Irish ancestry, he was born in July 1860 at Oil Springs. John and Susan resided at Bradshaw, Ont., and later on various farms near London, Ont. They were living in London at the time of his death in 1905. On 9 August 1930 Susan died of cancer. She was buried at London.

Children

* 1. Charles Alfred _____ (1884-1906)
* 2. Rebecca Jane _____ (1885-)
* 3. Norman Stanley ____ (1892-)

1.6.5.1.

Charles Alfred Thompson (1884-1906), son of John and Susan (Wilson) Thompson, was born 7 March 1884 at Bradshaw, Ont. He went to the Canadian West on probation for ministry in the Methodist Church of Canada, intending to

return to Ontario and enter university. While in the West he was stricken with typhoid fever and died 4 January 1906. He was buried at London, Ont.

1.6.5.2.

Rebecca Jane Thompson (1885-), daughter of John and Susan (Wilson) Thompson, was born 4 September 1885 at Bradshaw, Lambton county, Ont. She received the degree of B. A. in 1910 and the degree of M. A. in 1917 from the University of Western Ontario. She attended the Faculty of Education at Toronto for one year and taught at the high school in Lucan, Middlesex county, 1911-12. In 1912 at London, Ont., she married Dr. Kenneth Percival Rutherford Neville,[a] then professor of classics at the University of Western Ontario. For many years, until 1948, Jennie was part-time instructor in the department of English at the University of Western Ontario.

Kenneth Neville was educated at the Napanee collegiate institute; at Queen's University, Kingston, Ont., from which he received the degree of B. A. in 1896 and the degree of M. A. in 1897; at Harvard University, from which he received the degree of A.B. in 1898 and the degree of A.M. in 1899; and at Cornell University, from which he received the degree of Ph.D. in 1901. He was instructor in classics at the University of Illinois, 1901-08; professor of classics at the University of Western Ontario, 1908-28; registrar, 1917-47, and dean of arts and science, 1927-47, at the University of Western Ontario. He retired 1 July 1947, in which year he was given the honorary degree of LL.D. by Queen's University and of Litt.D. by the University of Western Ontario. He was president of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars, 1934-35; secretary-treasurer, 1937-42, and vice-president, 1942-46, of the National Conference of Canadian Universities. He was a member of the United Church Board of Colleges, 1926-46; on the Board of Trustees of Queen's Theological College from

a. Born 26 August 1876 at Newburgh, Lennox and Addington county, Ont., son of Chester Willison Neville (1850-1928) and Mary Eleanor Sharpe (1851-1942).

1936; and on the Board of Management of Alma College, St. Thomas, Ont., from 1930.

Child

* 1. Mary Louise _____ (1914-)

1.6.5.2.1.

Mary Louise Neville (1914-), daughter of Kenneth Percival Rutherford and Rebecca Jane (Thompson) Neville, was born 2 February 1914 at London, Ont. She received the degree of B.A. from the University of Western Ontario in 1935; the degree of A.M. from the University of Illinois in 1938; and in 1942 the degree of Ph.D. in the department of comparative literature from Cornell University.

On 4 June 1942 at Dallas, Tex., she married Laurence E. Nugent,[a] Jr., who received the degree of A.B. from the University of Minnesota; the degree of A.M. from the University of West Virginia; and the degree of Ph.D. in geology from Cornell University. Mr. Nugent served in the American Navy in World War II, and in 1945 was with the Texas Oil Company at Fort Worth, Tex.

Children

1. Kenneth Michael, b. Jan. 19, 1946, at Fort Worth, Tex.
2. John Laurence Earl, b. Sept. 4, 1947, at London, Ont.

1.6.5.3.

Norman Stanley Thompson (1892-), son of John and Susan (Wilson) Thompson, was born 21 April 1892 at White Oak, south of London, in Middlesex county, Ont. On 19 April 1922 at Rouleau, Sask., he married Frances Ella Rogers,[a] who was born 11 October 1898 at Algonac, Mich. Mr.

a. Born 23 September 1912 at Lancaster, Minn., son of Laurence E. Nugent, Sr., and his wife, Pearl Sutton, who later were residents of Wilton, N. D.

a. Daughter of Amon Rogers, who was born 22 August 1870 at Prince Albert, Sask., and Mary Lee McFarland, who was born 16 February 1875 at Prince Albert, Sask.

Thompson was Hamilton manager of the London Life Insurance Company and, in 1948, resided at 98 Oak Knoll Drive, Hamilton, Ont.

Children

1. Roger John, b. Feb. 6, 1923, at London, Ont.
2. Robert Norman, b. Dec. 23, 1925, at London, Ont.
3. Richard Frederick, b. Jan. 18, 1929, at London, Ont.

1.6.6.

Maria Wilson (1860-1918), daughter of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 1 January 1860 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. She married Henry Franklin McNiece,[a] a farmer. They resided near Byron,

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a. Born 3 May 1857, son of John Irvine and Elizabeth Jane (Franklin) McNiece.

John Irvine McNiece was born in Ireland in 1815 and migrated to Kingston, Ont., with his parents when he was 14 years old. His parents died within a year of each other, of cholera. John Irvine as a young man was a friend of Sir John A. MacDonald, Canadian statesman and, with the exception of one four-year term, prime minister of Canada from 1857 to 1891.

John Irvine married (1) a daughter of Joseph Franklin, Jr. (see Appendix 6—Franklin Family). They resided in Kingston and had two children: Victoria and Albert. Mrs. McNiece was taken ill, and the family returned to her parents' home, eight miles from Kingston, where she died.

John Irvine married (2) Elizabeth Jane Franklin, who was born in 1824. She was niece of his first wife and had been brought up in the home of her grandparents. She had taken care of Victoria and Albert when they lost their mother and was very devoted to them. John Irvine and Elizabeth Jane moved to a farm 1½ miles from the Joseph Franklin farm. Here four of their children were born. Then they moved to a large farm a short distance away where they were nearer to a school, and on this farm their other four children were born. Their last move was in 1870 to a farm at Black Creek (now Bradshaw), Sombra township, Lambton county, Ont. Here Mr. McNiece's sons cut logs, built a house, and cleared the land. One of the sons, Henry Franklin McNiece, cut the first log from the land cleared for the erection of the Methodist church at Bradshaw.

Mr. McNiece inherited considerable money from his first wife but was reputed to have been not particularly frugal nor far-sighted in his financial affairs. He appears to have been sports-loving, his family recalling his red hunting coat always hanging conveniently on the wall. He died in 1888 and was buried at Bradshaw. Elizabeth Jane spent her later years in the home of her son Henry Franklin, near Byron, Middlesex county, Ont. A few months before she died she went to spend the winter with her daughter Isabella (Mrs. Thomas Williams) at London, Ont., where she passed away in the spring of 1915, old age being given as the cause of her death. She was buried in the Woodland cemetery at London, Ont.

The children of John Irvine McNiece were:

Middlesex county, Ont. They were members of the Methodist Church. Maria died 12 May 1918 and her husband died 17 October 1923. Both were buried in the Woodland cemetery at London, Ont.

Children

* 1. Bertha Victoria _____ (1884-)
* 2. Mabel _____ (1887-)
* 3. Ernest Wilson _____ (1890-1940)
* 4. William Russell _____ (1893-)
5. Bruce Albert, b. Mar. 20, 1897; d. Jan. 8, 1898
* 6. Milton LeRoy _____ (1900-)

1.6.6.1.

Bertha Victoria McNiece (1884-), daughter of Henry Franklin and Maria (Wilson) McNiece, was born 6 March 1884 at Waubuno, Sombra township, Lambton county, Ont.

By his first wife:

(1) Victoria (1847-1919), who married George Gregory, brickyard owner of St. Thomas, Ont.; died and was buried at Gary, Indiana

(2) Albert (1850-1878), who married Jessie Whitit and lived in the Canadian West

By his second wife:

(3) Isabella Amy (1855-1944), who married Thomas Williams and resided at St. Thomas, Ont., where he owned a livery stable; and at London, Ont.

(4) Henry Franklin (1857-1923), who married Maria Wilson (see above)

(5) Frederick (1858-1938), farmer, who married Margaret McDonald; died and was buried at Vancouver, B.C.

(6) Samuel (1860-), farmer, who married Jane Hayward

(7) James (1862-), insurance agent, who married Annie McCaddy; died and was buried in Buffalo, N. Y.

(8) Irvine (1864-1941), conductor on the Michigan Central Railway, who married Ella Hill; died and was buried at St. Thomas, Ont.

(9) Harriet (1866-1888), who married Charles Gordon

(10) William Herbert (1869-1947), street car operator, who married Harriet Cassidy and died at Windsor, Ont.

On 25 November 1914 she married George Orville McRae,[a] farmer of Byron, Middlesex county, Ont., who was born 11 February 1887 in London township, Middlesex county. Mr. and Mrs. McRae were members of the United Church.

Children

* 1. Kenneth Irvine _____ (1919-)
2. Merla Jean, b. Sept. 21, 1921; d. Oct. 21, 1921

1.6.6.1.1.

Kenneth Irvine McRae (1919-), son of George Orville and Bertha Victoria (McNiece) McRae, was born 23 May 1919 at London, Ont. He attended technical school in London and became a machinist. During World War II he was in the Army for one year, after which he worked as a machinist in Windsor, Ont.

1.6.6.2.

Mabel McNiece (1887-), daughter of Henry Franklin and Maria (Wilson) McNiece, was born 1 April 1887 at Waubuno, Sombra township, Lambton county, Ont. On 25 July 1906 at Lambeth, Westminster township, Middlesex county, Ont., she married (1) Daniel Sharp[a] and resided in

a. Son of Arthur and Matilda Agnes (Zavitz) McRae of London township, Middlesex county, Ont.

Arthur McRae (22 May 1853-20 February 1939) was son of Donald McRae, who was born 29 October 1815 in the parish of Avoch, Ross county, Scotland, died 26 May 1904, and was buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery, London, Ont.

Matilda Agnes Zavitz was born 17 October 1857 and died 17 May 1941. She was daughter of George Henry and Mary Pamelia (Service) Zavitz. The Zavitz family is of Dutch descent. They went to Canada from Pennsylvania in the late 1700's, crossed at Niagara Falls, and trekked through the woods, finally arriving in what is now Lobo township, Middlesex county, Ont. They settled near Poplar Hill.

Rev. Alexander Macrae, B.A., Curate of St. Helen's, Bishopgate, London, England, in his *History of the Clan Macrae*, 1899, says of the clan: "The Macraes were a small but important clan in the district of Kintail, in the southwest of the county of Ross, where they are said to have settled in the 14th century. According to Macbain's Gaelic Dictionary the name Macrae (or Macrath, as it is written in Gaelic) means 'Son of Grace or Luck' ".

a. Son of John and Ann Sharp of Middlesex county, Ont. Mr. Sharp died 4 October 1918 aged 82 years, and Mrs. Sharp died 3 March 1922 aged 85 years. Both were buried in Woodland cemetery at London, Ont.

Delaware township, Middlesex county, where he died of Bright's Disease 19 June 1907 at the age of 36. They had one son, John Franklin Sharp.

On 1 December 1934 at London, Ont., Mabel maried (2) John Angus McLachlan,[b] farmer of Komoka, Lobo township, Middlesex county, Ont., where they resided until 1949, when they sold their farm and moved to Strathroy, Ont.

Child

* 1. John Franklin Sharp ____ (1907-)

1.6.6.2.1.

John Franklin Sharp (1907-), son of Daniel and Mabel (McNiece) Sharp, was born 29 May 1907 in Delaware township, Middlesex county, Ont. His father died when he was three weeks old. He graduated from the University of Western Ontario with the degree of B.A. He married Irene Gawley[a] and resided at Ottawa, Ont., where he was in the employ of the Government's Department of Agriculture as an entomologist. They resided at 75 Laurentian Place. They had one child, Carol Diane, who was born 9 May 1940.

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b. Born 27 August 1871 in Lobo township, Middlesex county, Ont., eldest son of Donald and Margaret (Fraser) McLachlan. Donald McLachlan was born and raised in Lobo township. Margaret was daughter of John and Isabel (Seaton) Fraser. John Fraser came from Scotland with his parents and Isabel Seaton came from Scotland with her parents. The two families settled at Dundee, Que., (across the St. Lawrence River from Cornwall, Ont.). A year later John married Isabel and they bought a farm at Dundee, which in 1948 was still in the Fraser family. A new house had been built but the old house was still standing. John and Isabel had 14 children. Margaret, one of the 14, went to visit relatives in Middlesex county, Ont., and there she learned to make cheese, at which occupation she worked until she went home to prepare for her marriage to Donald McLachlan. Donald went to Dundee for his bride and they were married 6 October 1870. Donald died 2 August 1914, having spent all his life on his Lobo township farm. He was buried in the Komoka cemetery. Margaret, who was born 15 June 1845, in her 103d year was residing (July 1948) with her son John on his farm in Lobo township, across the road from the farm to which she went as a bride in 1870.

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a. Daughter of George Henry Gawley, who was born 10 April 1876 at Marmora, Ont., and Elizabeth Louisa Groome, who was born 10 September 1897 at Galt, Ont. They were married 10 January 1915.

1.6.6.3.

Ernest Wilson McNiece (1890-1940), son of Henry Franklin and Maria (Wilson) McNiece, was born 13 April 1890 at Black Creek, Sombra township, Lambton county, Ont. He graduated from Western University's Medical School and practised medicine at Aylmer, Ont. He married 20 October 1920 (1) Pansy Colling, daughter of Thomas Gladstone and Ellen Hill (Ingram) Colling of London, Ont. Pansy died 20 February 1930 and was buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery at London, Ont.

Dr. McNiece married (2) in April 1938 Pauline Isabelle Fitzgerald, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fitzgerald of London, Ont. Dr. McNiece died 20 January 1940. In 1946 his widow resided at 585 Princess St., London, Ont.

Children

* 1. Elizabeth Patricia ___ (1922-)
* 2. David Colling _____ (1926-)

1.6.6.3.1.

Elizabeth Patricia McNiece (1922-), daughter of Ernest Wilson and Pansy (Colling) McNiece, was born 29 May 1922. In 1948 she was day supervisor in Children's Hospital connected with Victoria Hospital, London, Ont.

1.6.6.3.2.

David Colling McNiece (1926-), son of Ernest Wilson and Pansy (Colling) McNiece, was born 22 March 1926. In 1948 David Colling was a buyer of tobacco for the Imperial Tobacco Company, with headquarters at Aylmer, Ont.

1.6.6.4.

William Russell McNiece (1893-), son of Henry Franklin and Maria (Wilson) McNiece, was born 17 November 1893 at Byron, Westminster township, Middlesex county,

Ont. He married Eva Pearson,[a] who was born in 1895. Mr. McNiece was a farmer, and resided on the family homestead near Byron, Middlesex county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Evelyn Marion _____ (1923-)
* 2. Lorna _____ (1933-)

1.6.6.4.1.

Evelyn Marion McNiece (1923-), daughter of William Russell and Eva (Pearson) McNiece, was born 9 March 1923 at Byron, Westminster township, Middlesex county, Ont. In 1941-42 she attended normal school at London, Ont., and in 1948 was teaching in the public school at Byron.

1.6.6.4.2.

Lorna McNiece (1933-), daughter of William Russell and Eva (Pearson) McNiece, was born 1 May 1933 at Byron, Westminster township, Middlesex county, Ont.

1.6.6.6.

Milton LeRoy McNiece (1900-), son of Henry Franklin and Maria (Wilson) McNiece, was born 14 June 1900 at Byron, Westminster township, Middlesex county, Ont. He married Mildred Eveline Grass.[a]

During World War II Milton was in the Canadian Army, serving in Canada in the quartermasters' stores from 1 May 1941 to 24 April 1946. After his discharge he was employed as a truck driver for builders' supplies at Aylmer, Ont., and in March 1947 he purchased and resided on a farm near St. Thomas, Ont.

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a. Daughter of Edward Ottway Pearson, farmer of Strathroy, Ont., who was born 10 February 1850 in England and died 26 February 1904 at Cairngorm, Middlesex county, Ont., and his wife, Helena Margaret Payne, who was born in London township, Middlesex county, Ont., and died 24 April 1942. She was daughter of Charles Orme Payne. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson were buried at Strathroy, Ont.

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a. Born 13 February 1909 at Aylmer, Ont., daughter of Francis William Grass, farmer, who was born 25 March 1859 and died 8 July 1934, and his wife, Ethel (Deo) Grass, who was born 19 November 1876.

Children

1. James Francis, b. Dec. 7, 1930; d. Sept. 24, 1931, at Tillsonburg, Ont.
2. Lawrence Alan, b. Jan. 6, 1932, at Tillsonburg, Ont.
3. Robert Edward, b. May 30, 1947, at St. Thomas, Ont.

1.6.7.

William John Wilson (1861-1939), son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 5 December 1861 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 29 January 1885 he married (1) Annie Shannon, who was born 27 October 1861 at Watford, Lambton county, Ont. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson resided in Lambton county and, later, in Detroit, Mich. Mrs. Wilson died 5 March 1924 as the result of an automobile accident. She was buried at Watford, Ont.

On 27 October 1924 Mr. Wilson married (2) Ida Easseau, and resided at West Grand Blvd., Detroit. Ida died, and was buried at Onaway, Mich.

Mr. Wilson was a boiler engineer in Detroit, and in his later life was a night watchman in Essex county, Ont. He retired from active work in 1926 and died in 1939. By his first wife Mr. Wilson had three children.

Children

* 1. Louella _____ (1887-)
* 2. Carleton _____ (1897-)
* 3. Eva May _____ (1899-)

1.6.7.1.

Louella Wilson (1887-), daughter of William John and Annie (Shannon) Wilson, was born 23 June 1887 at Black Creek (now Bradshaw), Sombra township, Lambton county, Ont. On 16 June 1941 at Van Dyke, Mich., she married Wilfred Joseph Rousseau, who was born 18 March 1887. Mr. and Mrs. Rousseau in 1948 resided at 7260 Orchard St., Van Dyke, Mich.

1.6.7.2.

Carleton Wilson (1897-), son of William John and Annie (Shannon) Wilson, was born 21 January 1897 at Detroit,

Mich. On 13 April 1925 Mr. Wilson married Julia Langivan, who was born 26 April 1911, daughter of Jean and Loretta Langivan of Montreal, Que. They resided in Detroit where Mr. Wilson was a tool finisher for the Ace Drill Company. They had 4 children: John Carleton, Donald William, Jean David, and Robert Arthur.

1.6.7.3.

Eva May Wilson (1899-), daughter of William John and Annie (Shannon) Wilson, was born 7 April 1899 at Detroit, Mich. On 23 August 1922 she married James Edward Plunkett, who was born 13 June 1895 at Zenia, Ohio, son of Michael Plunkett of Mayo County, Ireland, and his wife Mary Plunkett of County Cork, Ireland.

James Edward Plunkett was a metal finisher. They resided at 11044 Hudson Ave., Van Dyke, Mich. They had no children.

1.6.8.

Rebecca Wilson (1863-1888), daughter of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 3 October 1863 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. She died 5 March 1888 at the age of 24 years. She was buried at Lynedoch, Norfolk county, Ont.

1.6.9.

Alfred Wilson (1865-1867), son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 10 November 1865 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. He died of scarlet fever 27 November 1867 at the age of two years. He was buried at Lynedoch, Norfolk county, Ont.

1.6.10.

Eleanor Wilson (1867-1868), daughter of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 14 October 1867 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. She died in July 1868 at the age of nine months, and was buried at Lynedoch, Norfolk county, Ont.

1.6.11.

David Craig Wilson (1869-1939), son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 3 June 1869 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. He was 14 years old when his father died, and he stayed for some time in the home of his elder brother, Joseph Abraham Wilson, of Chatham, Ont. He married Mary Jane Mitchell, who was born 26 May 1876, daughter of Charles Mitchell of Chatham.

David resided at London, Ont., where he was a tinsmith with the McClary Company. Mrs. Wilson died in January 1938 and Mr. Wilson in September 1939. Both were buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery at London, Ont.

Children

* 1. Craig Mitchell _____ (1900-)
* 2. Hester Elaine _____ (1901-)
* 3. Gertrude Isobel ____ (1904-)
* 4. Charles Frederick ___ (1907-)
* 5. Grace Marion _____ (1915-)

1.6.11.1.

Craig Mitchell Wilson (1900-), son of David Craig and Mary Jane (Mitchell) Wilson, was born 12 July 1900 at London, Ont. He was successively telegrapher, despatcher, and supervisor of transportation for the Canadian National Railway. In October 1922 he married Lona Tinning. They resided at 542 Millwood Road, Toronto, Ont. They were members of the United Church. They had one son, John Bruce, who was born in 1923. He served in the Canadian Army in World War II.

1.6.11.2.

Hester Elaine Wilson (1901-), daughter of David Craig and Mary Jane (Mitchell) Wilson, was born 5 December 1901 at London, Ont. On 2 September 1922 she married Albert George Petrie, who was born 8 February 1898 in London, England, son of William Mills and Jessie Clara (Pope)

Petrie. Mr. and Mrs. Petrie were members of the United Church of Canada. He was a lithographer by trade. In 1949 they resided at 3851 Melrose Avenue, Montreal, Que.

Children

* 1. David George _____ (1924-)
* 2. June Marion _____ (1926-)

1.6.11.2.1.

David George Petrie (1924-), son of Albert George and Hester Elaine (Wilson) Petrie, was born 10 June 1924 at Montreal, Que. At the age of 19, after completing two years' study toward a B.A. degree at McGill University, George enlisted in the Royal Canadian Artillery, and was assigned to the 1st Survey Regiment. His serial number was D142661.

On 15 April 1945 George was on duty at an ammunition dump in Holland when it received a direct artillery hit. George was seriously wounded, and spent 16 months in hospital, undergoing 14 operations. He resumed his academic work at McGill from a wheel chair and graduated in May 1948 with the degree of B.A. In 1949 he was studying law at McGill. He was president of the McGill (Gamma Lambda) chapter of Sigma Chi fraternity.

1.6.11.2.2.

June Marion Petrie (1926-), daughter of Albert George and Hester Elaine (Wilson) Petrie, was born 10 January 1926 at Montreal, Que. On 26 May 1947 she married Elwood George Stewart Petford, who was born 26 May 1924 at Montreal, son of Herbert Stanley and Irene Maritta (Greenleese) Petford. Elwood served in Canada for 16 months during World War II as a gunner in the Royal Canadian Air Force. Thereafter he was employed as a brewer at Montreal.

1.6.11.3.

Gertrude Isobel Wilson (1904-), daughter of David Craig and Mary Jane (Mitchell) Wilson, was born 1 January 1904 at London, Ont. She married Albert Andrew Wood, entomologist with the Canadian Government's Department of

Agriculture. In 1948 he was stationed at Chatham, Ont., and resided at 136 William St., S. Mr. and Mrs. Wood were members of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Children

1. Shirley Isobel, b. Jan. 31, 1927
2. Mary Elizabeth, b. Oct. 22, 1931
3. Barbara Gertrude, b. Dec. 31, 1936

1.6.11.4.

Charles Frederick Wilson (1907-), son of David Craig and Mary Jane (Mitchell) Wilson, was born 11 March 1907 at London, Ont. He graduated from the University of Western Ontario in 1928 with the degree of B.A., and from Harvard University, receiving the degree of A.M. in 1932 and of Ph.D. in 1937.

Mr. Wilson was principal of Berbice boys' high school in New Amsterdam, British Guiana, 1928-31; was instructor in economics at Wellesley College, 1933-35; and at Brown University, 1935-36. Thereafter he was in the employ of the Canadian Government, first as grain statistician, 1936-40, and then as chief of the Agricultural Branch of the Canadian Bureau of Statistics, 1940-43. From 1943 he was director of the Wheat and Grain Division of the Department of Trade and Commerce. He represented Canada in a number of international agricultural conferences and in the negotiations leading to an international wheat agreement in 1949.

On 29 November 1936 Mr. Wilson married Ruth, daughter of Ralph Tillinghast and Maud (Arnold) Barnefield of Pawtucket, Rhode Island. They resided (1948) at 200 Mariposa Ave., Rockcliffe Park, Ottawa, Ont.

Children

1. David Arnold, b. Apr. 20, 1940, at Ottawa, Ont.
2. Hope, b. June 9, 1947, at Ottawa, Ont.

1.6.11.5.

Grace Marion Wilson (1915-), daughter of David Craig and Mary Jane (Mitchell) Wilson, was born 21 Feb-

ruary 1915 at London, Ont. In 1937 she married Thomas Arthur Heslop, son of Richard Boyd and Charlotte (Hudson) Heslop of Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Que.

Mr. Heslop graduated from MacDonald College in 1927, and in 1948 was partner in and manager of A. C. White Landscape Co., Ltd., of Montreal, Que. He was a member of the Rotary Club of Montreal and belonged to the Church of England. The family residence (1948) was 6541 Cote St., Luc Road, Montreal, Que.

Children

1. Thomas Arthur, Jr., b. Jan. 20, 1940
2. Carol Charlotte Mary, b. June 4, 1942

1.6.12.

James Frederick Wilson (1872-1936), son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 3 January 1872 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. He was 12 years old when his father died, and he stayed for some time with his elder brother, Joseph Abraham Wilson, of Chatham, Ont. Most of his life was spent as a bookkeeper in the Consolidated Plate Glass Company of Toronto, Ont. He married Ada A. Brenton, who died in 1941. Mr. Wilson died 18 June 1936.

Children

1. Ewart Norman, died in infancy.
* 2. Harold Godfrey ____ (1902-)
* 3. Clara Evelyn _____ (1904-)

1.6.12.2.

Harold Godfrey Wilson (1902-), son of James Frederick and Ada A. (Brenton) Wilson, was born 28 April 1902, at London, Ont. He married Isabel Creighton, daughter of Dr. W. B. Creighton, editor of *The Christian Guardian* of Toronto, Ont. Mr. Wilson practised law in Toronto.

1.6.12.3.

Clara Evelyn Wilson (1904-), daughter of James Frederick and Ada A. (Brenton) Wilson, was born 20 October 1904. She graduated from the University of Toronto with

the degree of B.A., and was a buyer for T. Eaton Company, Ltd., of Toronto, Ont. She married Harold W. Clark, bank manager at Windsor and, later, at Toronto, Ont.

1.6.13.

Samuel Bruce Wilson (1874-1933), son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, was born 19 July 1874 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. His father died when Bruce was 10 years old and he was taken by his sister Anna Jane (Wilson) Williams, who was living at Clifford, Wellington county, Ont. Bruce was apprenticed to a harness maker at Brussels, Huron county, Ont., and learned that trade. He attended Springfield College, Mass., graduating in 1902 and receiving Bachelor of Humanics degree in 1910. He was general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association at St. John, N. B., 1902-05; at Brantford, Ont., 1905-08; at New Rochelle, N. Y., 1908-13; and at Ithaca, N. Y., 1913-33.

On 14 October 1903 he married Sarah Jane Jackson,[a] who was born 26 August 1875 in County Armagh, Ireland, some three to five miles from Rich Hill.

He died 5 August 1933 of coronary thrombosis at Brantford, where he and his wife had stopped to visit on their return to Ithaca from Muskoka. He was buried at Ithaca.

Child

* 1. Anna Margaret _____ (1907-)

1.6.13.1.

Anna Margaret Wilson (1907-), daughter of Samuel Bruce and Sarah Jane (Jackson) Wilson, was born 5 July 1907 at Brantford, Ont. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Cornell University in 1929 and her Bachelor of Science degree in library science from Western Reserve University in 1931. From 1932 she was librarian in the Boynton junior high school at Ithaca, N. Y.

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a. Daughter of John and Anna M. (Willis) Jackson of Brantford, Ont. John Jackson (March 25, 1841-June 1924) was son of John and Mary Ann (Foster) Jackson of County Armagh, Ireland. In September 1867 he married Anna M. Willis and in April 1881 they migrated from Ireland to Brantford, Ont. Anna M. Willis (May 6, 1842-July 5, 1904) was daughter of George and Jane (Anderson) Willis and granddaughter of George and —— (Lockhart) Willis of County Armagh, Ireland.

JESSE TAYLOR

1.7.

JESSE TAYLOR (1833-1894), son of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born at Highway, Wiltshire, England. He was baptised in the Church of England 7 March 1833. When he was nine years old he accompanied his parents to Canada and resided with them at Forestville on the first concession of the township of Charlotteville, Norfolk county, Ont.

On 4 April 1855 Jesse bought from his brother Job, for £75, 3 roods and 30 perches of land, part of the south half of Lot 6, Con. 1, Charlotteville. In the document conveying the land Jesse is described as carpenter and joiner. In the following year he sold this land to John Fero, blacksmith, for £62.10s.

Jesse, who had red hair and in later life weighed 220 pounds, married Roxsy Armstrong, daughter of Squire Lawrence Armstrong,[a] of South Middleton, Norfolk county, Ont. Jesse and Roxsy had five children, all born at St. Williams, Norfolk county, where Jesse operated a sawmill. They resided in a rambling frame house south of the Palace Hotel on the street leading to the fish dock. About 1871 Roxsy died. She

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a. Lawrence was son of Charlotte Armstrong who, in 1857, when she was 75 years old, wrote from Lawrence, Mass., to her son in Canada and mentioned other members of the family: "Hiram and his family of Lawrence; Abel and his family in Iowa; Harriet and her husband, T—ye, who lived at Lawrence; and Cordelia & Joel."

Lawrence Armstrong married (1) Irene Spohr (or Spoor). Their children were:

(1) Roxsy, who married Jesse Taylor (see above)
(2) Catherine, who married Jeremiah Smith (see Appendix 7—Gee Family)
(3) Charlotte, who married Thomas Gilmour
(4) Ellen, who married Charles Boddy
(5) William, who married Eleanor Oliver, who was born in Albany, N. Y., daughter of John Oliver, farmer, formerly of Pennsylvania; and had Irene, who was born 1 January 1866 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont., and married 24 October 1888 Frederick William Sinden, son of Solomon Sinden. Mrs. Irene Sinden resided (1946) at Belmont, Elgin county, Ont.

Lawrence Armstrong married a second time and moved from South Middleton to Walpole township, Haldimand county, Ont., where the children of his second wife resided. He died and was buried at Cheapside in Walpole township. She was buried at St. Thomas, Ont.

was buried in the Taylor plot in the Fairview cemetery at Forestville. Shortly before her death Jesse lost, in an accident at the mill, three fingers from his right hand. His sister Susan helped Jesse raise the children, the youngest at the time of his mother's death being two years old.

In 1874 Jesse, described as a mechanic, bought half an acre of land, part of Lot 17, Con. A, Walsingham township, Norfolk county, known as village lots 1 and 2, north of Centre Street, Port Rowan, Norfolk county, for $200. He sold these lots the following year to Phineas Reeves at the same figure.

In 1884 Jesse, described as a carpenter of Port Rowan, widower, bought a half interest in part of Lot 16, Con. A, Walsingham, in Port Rowan, 7/8 acre, and sold out his interest in 1885.

In 1888 Jesse took his son Walter to Tennessee for his health, visiting in Maryville, Tenn., with the Johnson family, old friends and neighbors from Canada. Leaving Walter at Knoxville, Jesse went on to California where 16 February 1889 he purchased property on Button St., Santa Cruz, on which he built a house. In the same year he married Ellen Johnson, sister of Myron F. Johnson of Maryville, Tenn., and on 29 December 1890 he conveyed this property to her.[b]

In Santa Cruz Jesse worked as a carpenter and cabinet maker. In the autumn of 1894 he became ill and unable to work and, when thought to be recovering, died suddenly of a heart attack, at the age of 61. After his death Ellen (Johnson) Taylor under date of 3 January 1895 wrote to his daughters: "I took the tenderest care of him and tried so hard to keep him, but it was not to be. I think he was the noblest man I ever knew. We laid him to rest on a pretty, sunny slope, facing the setting sun, and left him covered with beautiful flowers."

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b. In 1900 Ellen (Johnson) Taylor conveyed this property to John M. and Catherine McCaskill, whose daughter Annie M. was the owner in 1946. On 6 January 1898 Ellen (Johnson) Taylor and her brother Myron lived at 472 Ocean St., Santa Cruz. Search of the Santa Cruz County Directory for 1910-11 disclosed in Santa Cruz neither the name of Ellen J. Taylor nor of Myron F. Johnson.

Children

* 1. Franklin Jesse _____ (1859-1932)
* 2. Bertha _____ (1863-1922)
* 3. Isadore _____ (1865-1945)
* 4. Walter _____ (1866-1919)
* 5. Fred _____ (1869-1935)

1.7.1.

Franklin Jesse Taylor (1859-1932), eldest son of Jesse and Roxsy (Armstrong) Taylor, was born 6 October 1859 at St. Williams, Norfolk county, Ont.

Frank did not finish grammar school but at an early age went to work with his father in the sawmill.

About 1890 Frank married Ellen (Nellie) Josephine Fairchild,[a] who was born in 1865, daughter of Hiram Fairchild, pump maker of Port Dover, Norfolk county. After their marriage they went to Tennessee, where for five years Frank was employed by the Beardon & Ferguson Lumber Company of Knoxville. In April 1895 they returned to Port Dover, where Frank spent the remainder of his life as carpenter and cabinet maker.

Mr. Taylor was a member of the Methodist church in Knoxville, and in Port Dover was a deacon of the church, sang bass in the choir, and was superintendent of the Sunday school for nearly 30 years. From 1905 until his death he was a member of the Association of Christian Stewards. He was a member of the Port Dover village council in 1906, 1907, 1909, and 1910.

Ellen died 15 November 1925, and her husband 4 September 1932. They were buried in the Fairchild plot in the Port Dover cemetery, two miles west of the village.

Children

* 1. Myron Westbrooke _ (1898-)
* 2. Harvey Franklin ___ (1900-)

a. See Appendix 5—Fairchild Family.

1.7.1.1.

Myron Westbrooke Taylor (1898-), son of Franklin Jesse and Ellen Josephine (Fairchild) Taylor, was born 14 March 1898 at Port Dover, Norfolk county, Ont. In 1917 he left high school to enlist in the Canadian Army, but was rejected because of his heart. Rather than return to high school he went to Nashville, Tenn., where his uncle Walter Taylor was living, and tried to enlist in the American Army. He was rejected there also. He worked for a time as a yard clerk for the Louisville & Nashville Railway, then as timekeeper for the Nashville Hardwood Flooring Company. Returning to Canada he enlisted in the Canadian Army, served overseas with the Royal Canadian Field Artillery, and was discharged in Hamilton, Ont., in the spring of 1919. He worked in Ontario and in the Canadian West until 1921, when he went to Chicago and studied at the Coyne Trade and Engineering School. Returning to Ontario he worked as an electrician for the Ontario Hydro-electric Power Commission, but soon removed to Chicago, where he worked with the Cooper Hewitt Electric Company (later called General Electric Vapor Lamp Company) as service man. While with this Company Myron learned industrial illumination, and when the Company was consolidated with the incandescent lamp department of the General Electric Company he was employed by it as mercury vapor specialist.

On 16 June 1923 Myron married Thelma Lee Allmacher[a] of Owensboro, Ky. She attended school in Cleveland, Ohio; Davenport, Ia.; and Chicago, Ill.

Children

* 1. John Franklin _____ (1927-)
* 2. Donald Myron _____ (1930-)
* 3. Richard Harvey ____ (1933-)

a. Thelma Lee Allmacher was born 8 July 1903, daughter of Harry Allmacher and Sally May Trogden. Her father died when she was quite young, and her mother in 1922 married Eugene Dunkel of Chicago, Ill. In 1939 they moved to Long Beach, Calif., when he was pensioned as a railway mail clerk. About 1941 they sold their home in Long Beach and moved to Hollywood. Eugene Dunkel died in 1945.

1.7.1.1.1.

John Franklin Taylor (1927-), eldest son of Myron Westbrooke and Thelma Lee (Allmacher) Taylor, was born 4 February 1927 at Chicago. He graduated from the Lane technical school in Chicago in January 1945, and immediately enlisted in the Navy. He took his "boot" training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, and became fireman, first class, at Norfolk, Va. He was sent to Bermuda 11 August 1945 and became electrician's mate, third class, in November of that year. He was discharged from active service in July 1946 and (1948) was in the Active Naval Reserve, stationed at the Glenview Naval Air Station.

1.7.1.1.2.

Donald Myron Taylor (1930-), son of Myron Westbrooke and Thelma Lee (Allmacher) Taylor, was born 12 March 1930 at Chicago, Ill. He attended the Lane technical school in Chicago, graduating in June 1948.

1.7.1.1.3.

Richard Harvey Taylor (1933-), son of Myron Westbrooke and Thelma Lee (Allmacher) Taylor, was born 31 August 1933 at Chicago, Ill. In 1948 he was attending the Carl Schurz high school in Chicago.

1.7.1.2.

Harvey Franklin Taylor (1900-), son of Franklin Jesse and Ellen Josephine (Fairchild) Taylor, was born 26 October 1900 at Port Dover, Norfolk county, Ont.

Leaving high school in 1916, he worked for a year with the Grand Trunk Railway and went to Kentucky in 1917. The next year he went to Nashville, Tenn., where he worked with his uncle Walter Taylor,[a] learning the machinist's trade. In 1921 he returned to Canada and sailed for a year on the Great Lakes, after which he went to Chicago, Ill., where he studied for a year at a trade school. After a second period of six months on the Lakes, he went to Detroit, then to Pontiac,

a. Inventor of the Taylor end-matcher. See Walter Taylor (1.7.4.).

Mich. He was hospitalized for scarlet fever in Detroit, in 1924, for four months. Returning to Port Dover, he worked with the W. F. Kolbe Company, helping install and afterwards operate their ice and fish-freezing plant.

On 27 January 1926 Harvey married Marion Anna Overholt,[b] who was born 19 November 1901 at Dunnville, Haldimand county, Ont. After their marriage Harvey worked at Buffalo, N. Y., until January 1927 and from that time until 1931 was with the Lake Erie & Northern, a feeder line of the Canadian Pacific Railway. From 1931 to 1940 he was with the E. L. Bruce Company of Toronto, Ont., and, from July 1941, was with the Hamilton Gear and Machine Company. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor resided (1948) at 25 Lakeview Avenue, Toronto, Ont.

Children

1. Lois Marie, b. April 19, 1927, at Dunnville; d. at birth
2. Barbara Joan, b. April 4, 1935, at Toronto, Ont.

1.7.2.

Bertha Taylor (1863-1922), daughter of Jesse and Roxsy (Armstrong) Taylor, was born 18 January 1863 at St. Williams, Norfolk county, Ont. On 8 February 1887 at Walsingham Centre, Norfolk county, she married George Horne.[a] They resided at Beachville, a settlement midway between Ingersoll and Woodstock, in Oxford county, Ont.

In 1906 the family moved from Beachville to a small farm at near-by Cody's Corners, where they resided until 1908. In

b. Daughter of William Irvin and Margaret Anna (Fehrman) Overholt of Dunnville, Haldimand county, Ont.

William Irvin Overholt was son of Henry and Elizabeth (Barry) Overholt, and was born 7 February 1868 at Dunnville, where for 35 years he was foreman of the brushing department of the Monarch Knitting Company. He died in Toronto, Ont., 19 March 1936 and was buried at Dunnville. The Overholt family went to Canada from Pennsylvania.

Margaret Anna (Fehrman) Overholt, daughter of Levi Fehrman and his wife, Margaret Forbes, of Haldimand county, Ont., was born 21 March 1873 in Haldimand county and died 4 May 1942 at Toronto, Ont. She was buried in the Prospect cemetery at Toronto. Her family went to Canada from Scotland.

a. George Horne was born 10 February 1858 at Old Bradwell, Buckinghamshire, England. He went to Canada when he was 16 years of age. Bertha was his third wife. By his first wife he had a daughter, Florence, and by his second wife he had a son, James.

March of that year they moved to Alberta, where George filed on a homestead at Fox Coulee (now Munson) about 100 miles northeast of Calgary. For one year he worked as foreman of a lime and stone quarry at The Gap, near Banff. In the spring of 1909 Bertha, with three of the children, Frank, Fred, and Gordon, went to live on the homestead, George and the remaining children staying in Calgary until 1910, when they rejoined the mother and the three boys on the homestead. Their building and all other supplies were hauled in from Calgary by horses, taking four or five days to a week to make the trip, depending on the condition of the roads and Knee Hill Creek and Red Deer River, which had to be forded. In the fall of 1910 the Canadian National Railway was built through the area.

The Horne homesteading proved to be highly successful. The specialty of the ranch was pure-bred stock. On 4 November 1919 George sold his ranch and moved with his wife and his daughter Mary to the nearby town of Drumheller.

Shortly after the death of her six-year-old son, of infantile paralysis, in 1913, Bertha suffered an illness which paralyzed her left side, but she regained enough strength to walk a little by using a cane and had some use of her hand. She was thus crippled until her death, which occurred 25 August 1922.

George died 30 September 1934. Both he and Bertha were buried in the Munson cemetery. They were members of the Methodist Church.

Children

* 1. Franklin Jesse _____ (1888-)
* 2. Phyllis Margaretta __ (1889-)
* 3. Frederick Joseph ___ (1891-1916)
* 4. Walter Ainsley _____ (1893-1914)
* 5. Edna Kathleen _____ (1896-)
* 6. Bertha Merle _____ (1899-)
* 7. Mary Agnes _____ (1903-)
* 8. Gordon Arthur _____ (1906-1913)

1.7.2.1.

Franklin Jesse Horne (1888-), son of George and Bertha (Taylor) Horne, was born at Beachville, Oxford county, Ont., 14 January 1888. He accompanied his parents to Alberta in 1908. He served in the Canadian Army in World War I as a private in the 194th Battalion, Edmonton Highlanders.

In 1923 he married in Winnipeg, Man., Ellen (McMillan) Ross, widow of Alexander Ross of Winnipeg, by whom she had four children. Ellen was born 11 January 1888 in Scotland. Franklin and Ellen resided in Calgary, Alta. He was in the Reserve Army in World War II. They had no children.

1.7.2.2.

Phyllis Margaretta Horne (1889-), daughter of George and Bertha (Taylor) Horne, was born 22 August 1889 at Beachville, Oxford county, Ont., and accompanied her parents when they removed to Alberta in 1908.

On 27 January 1915 she married, at Calgary, Alta., Jonas Delvin Martin,[a] who was a carpenter. In 1944 they removed to Seattle, Wash., where (1948) they resided at 4039 Twelfth St., N. E.

Child

* 1. Adella Fern _____ (1916-)

1.7.2.2.1.

Adella Fern Martin (1916-), daughter of Jonas Delvin and Phyllis Margaretta (Horne) Martin, was born 22 May 1916 at Inverness, Mont. She received the degree of B. A. at Nazarene College, Nampa, Idaho, and (1948) was librarian with King County library, Seattle, Wash.

a. Jonas Delvin Martin was born 19 April 1871 at Clarence Center, N. Y., son of Moses Martin, farmer, who was born in Goodville, Lancaster county, Pa., in 1831, and his wife, Hannah, who was born in New Dundee, Waterloo county, Ont. Both were buried at Clarence Center, N. Y.

1.7.2.3.

Frederick Joseph Horne (1891-1916), son of George and Bertha (Taylor) Horne, was born 27 September 1891 at Beachville, Oxford county, Ont., and accompanied his parents when they removed to Alberta in 1908. He joined the Canadian Army in World War I and served as corporal in the 12th Canadian Mounted Rifles. He was killed in the Battle of Ypres, between June 2 and 5, 1916, and was buried in the military cemetery at Ypres, France.

1.7.2.4.

Walter Ainsley Horne (1893-1914), son of George and Bertha (Taylor) Horne, was born 25 January 1893 at Beachville, Oxford county, Ont. He went with his parents to the Canadian West in 1908 and resided with them on their ranch at Munson, Alta. He died 2 June 1914 at the age of 21, of tuberculosis. He was buried at Munson.

1.7.2.5.

Edna Kathleen Horne (1896-), daughter of George and Bertha (Taylor) Horne, was born 15 March 1896 at Beachville, Oxford county, Ont. She went with her parents to the Canadian West in 1908 and married Wesley George Greenwood, who was born 15 December 1894, son of W. H. and Ida Greenwood of Munson, Alta., and Vancouver, B. C.

Wesley was a farmer of Rocky Mountain House, Alta. Wesley and Edna had no children but adopted two: Billy, who served in the Navy during World War II, and Betty.

1.7.2.6.

Bertha Merle Horne (1899-), daughter of George and Bertha (Taylor) Horne, was born 7 September 1899 at Beachville, Oxford county, Ont. She went with her parents to the Canadian West in 1908 and resided with them on their ranch at Munson, Alta.

On 11 December 1918 Merle married Charles Leslie

Adsett,[a] who was born 30 December 1889 at Guelph, Ont., and went to Alberta with his parents in 1899. In 1908 Charles Leslie homesteaded at Fox Coulee (now Munson). He was a member of the United church at Munson and was secretary-treasurer of the Sunday school from 1911. They had five children, all born at Munson.

Children

* 1. Frederick Charles _____ (1920-1942)
* 2. George Vernon _____ (1922-)
* 3. Roxey Jean _____ (1924-)
4. Myrtle Louise, b. Aug. 26, 1929, at Munson, Alta.
5. Kenneth William, b. May 22, 1936, at Munson, Alta.

1.7.2.6.1.

Frederick Charles Adsett (1920-1942), son of Charles Leslie and Bertha Merle (Horne) Adsett, was born 17 June 1920 at Munson, Alta. He received his education at Munson.

In May 1941, during World War II, Fred enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force and trained at Calgary, Alta., at Regina, Sask., and at Brandon, Man. He went overseas in February 1942 and was attached to the Royal Air Force in England. He was a flight sergeant and piloted a Wellington bomber, carrying a crew of four men. After making seven or eight operational flights, he was shot down over Germany 2 October 1942. For six months he was reported missing before his death was confirmed. He was buried at Düsseldorf, Germany.

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a. Charles Leslie was son of Charles Henry Adsett, who was born 30 April 1860 at Guelph, Wellington county, Ont., and his wife, Rebecca Jane Woods, who was born 14 July 1862. They were married 8 March 1882 and had 11 children. He was a farmer and removed in 1899 from his farm near Guelph, Ont., to Olds, Alta., where he homesteaded, and in 1912 moved to Munson. Rebecca died 21 October 1921. In the following year her husband retired from farming, making his home from that time with his daughter, Mrs. Effie Rollis, at Three Hills, Alta. Charles Henry died 2 January 1940. They were members of the United church, Mr. Adsett being Sunday-school superintendent at Munson and Three Hills for many years.

Charles Henry was one of six children of Charles Adsett, who was born in North Chapel, Sussex, England, 24 May 1826, and went to Canada in 1832 with his parents. In Guelph, Ont., 21 January 1858, he married Sarah Kirkland of Nottingham, England. He died at Guelph 7 March 1908 and she died at New Dundee, Waterloo county, Ont., 27 March 1873.

1.7.2.6.2.

George Vernon Adsett (1922-), son of Charles Leslie and Bertha Merle (Horne) Adsett, was born 23 September 1922 at Munson, Alta. He was educated at Munson.

In September 1941, during World War II, Vernon enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force and trained at Penhold, Alta., and at Medicine Hat, Alta. He served for three years as an aeroplane frame mechanic. Due to sinus trouble he could not qualify as pilot. Most of his period of service was spent in New Brunswick. He was discharged from the service 25 January 1946 and returned to Alberta in April of the same year.

On 17 August 1945 Vernon married Ethel Jean Smith, who was born 22 February 1923, daughter of Clyde Lemont Smith and his wife, Idella Ursula Smith, of Elgin, Albert county, N. B. They resided (1948) at Drumheller, Alta., where Vernon was a carpenter. They had one son, George Aubrey, who was born 11 November 1946.

1.7.2.6.3.

Roxey Jean Adsett (1924-), daughter of Charles Leslie and Bertha Merle (Horne) Adsett, was born 9 April 1924 at Munson, Alta., and received her education at Munson. On 26 December 1941 she married Kerry Linden Zeal[a] of Drumheller, Alta. In World War II Kerry enlisted in the Canadian Army at Calgary, Alta., 15 September 1940; trained in camps in Ontario and Nova Scotia; and went overseas 7 October 1942 with a Signals unit of the 4th Armored Division. Kerry had the rank of corporal. He was discharged 29 September 1945, after which he attended Veterans' School at

a. Son of William Zeal, who was born in England, and his wife, Kathleen, who was born in Ireland. Mrs. Zeal died and Mr. Zeal resided (1948) at Drumheller, Alta. Kerry's only brother, Alan Zeal, was sergeant in a tank regiment with the 5th Armored Division of the Canadian Army during World War II. Alan was killed 30 May 1944 in the Battle of the Hitler Line in Italy. He was buried at Ceprano Crossroads, a little north of Cassino.

Calgary. In 1948 he was clerk in a men's furnishings store at Drumheller, Alta. They had one son, Kerry Leslie William, who was born 12 November 1942.

1.7.2.7.

Mary Agnes Horne (1903-), daughter of George and Bertha (Taylor) Horne, was born 11 January 1903 at Beachville, Oxford county, Ont. She went with her parents to the Canadian West in 1908 and with them resided on their ranch at Munson, Alta. She trained as a nurse, nursed for seven years, and was employed for one year in a doctor's office. On 24 July 1928 Mary Agnes married Cecil Newsham[a] of Innisfail, Alta., who was born 3 April 1902. Cecil owned and farmed a half section of land in the Innisfail district. They had one son, Gerald Ross, who was born 12 September 1929.

1.7.2.8.

Gordon Arthur Horne (1906-1913), youngest son of George and Bertha (Taylor) Horne, was born 18 September 1906 at Cody's Corners, Oxford county, Ont. He was a baby when his parents moved to the Canadian West, and he was one of the three boys chosen to stay with their mother on the homestead at Munson, Alta., the summer of 1909 and the winter of 1909-1910 while their father worked in Calgary. In the spring of 1913 he was stricken with infantile paralysis and died 2 May 1913. He was buried in the Munson cemetery.

1.7.3.

Isadore Taylor (1865-1947), daughter of Jesse and Roxsy (Armstrong) Taylor, was born 13 May 1865 at St. Williams, Norfolk county, Ont. When she was about 6 years old her mother died, and her father's sister Susan of Port Rowan, Ont., assisted in her rearing.

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a. Cecil Newsham was son of Jackson and Mary (Lister) Newsham, both of whom were born in Yorkshire, England. They went to Canada in 1898 and began farming in the Innisfail district of Alberta the following year. They had seven sons, Cecil being the third. The eldest son was born in England and the remaining six in Innisfail. All seven resided in Alberta (1946). Mrs. Newsham died in 1932. Mr. Newsham retired from active farming and resided (1946) in Calgary, Alta.

Isadore became a milliner and dressmaker and resided at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. She had red hair. In December 1903 Isadore went to Winnipeg, Man., where she married John William Brink,[a] a rancher. They removed to Los Angeles, Calif., where William died 16 November 1934. They had no children.

Isadore died 16 May 1945. During the last three months of her life she was cared for in her home at 2933½ Seventh Ave., Los Angeles, by Mrs. Mary L. Sexsmith of Vista, Calif., whose husband was a nephew of John William Brink. At her own request her body was cremated.

1.7.4.

Walter Taylor (1866-1919), son of Jesse and Roxsy (Armstrong) Taylor, was born 26 November 1866 at St. Williams, Norfolk county, Ont. When he was five years old his mother died and his father's sister Susan, of Port Rowan, assisted his father in rearing him.

In 1888 Walter was taken by his father to Tennessee in search of better health. His father went on to California, but Walter remained in Tennessee, settling at Knoxville, where in 1889 he married Lillie Angel,[a] who was born 13 April 1869 in Franklin county, Va. From Knoxville they moved to Nashville, Tenn., where Walter was employed as a millwright by the Nashville Hardwood Flooring Company. He became a master mechanic and invented the Taylor end-matcher.

The Taylor end-matcher was a unit of two machines by means of which the ends of boards are squared off and finished with tongue and groove so that two boards will fit tightly together end to end. The machine to make the tongue had three saws, one to square the end and two to remove wood so as

a. Born 16 February 1857 at Ingersoll, Oxford county, Ont., son of Charles and Elizabeth (Wilson) Brink. Charles Brink was born in Ingersoll 15 January 1813 and died at Ingersoll 1 January 1898. Elizabeth was born 4 March 1819 and died ca. 1905.

a. Daughter of James Monroe and Louisa (Akers) Angel, who moved from Rockymount, Franklin county, Va., to Knoxville, Tenn., in 1887. James Monroe Angel was born 21 December 1849 and Louisa Akers, daughter of Eli and Amanda Akers, was born 28 August 1847.

to leave the tongue. The other machine had two saws, one to square the end and the other to make the groove. The machines had an automatic trip which operated if boards of the wrong thickness or not properly squared were presented. See U. S. Patent No. 1,152,990, Sept. 7, 1915, *Automatic Trip Mechanism for End Matching Machines.*

Walter also invented a special cut-off saw which allowed the operator to use both hands to hold his work and his foot to release the trip that held the saw, this permitting greater speed and at the same time being less dangerous to the operator. See U. S. Patent No. 1,315,434, Sept. 9, 1919, *Operating Mechanism for Swing Saws.*

Walter died 22 December 1919 as the result of an accident in the planing mill. He was buried in the Mount Olivet cemetery at Nashville. He and his wife were members of the Methodist Church.

Children

* 1. James Bennett _____ (1890-1929)
2. Louise _____ (1892-1895)
* 3. Fanny Angel _____ (1899-)

1.7.4.1.

James Bennett Taylor (1890-1929), only son of Walter and Lillie (Angel) Taylor, was born 13 September 1890 at Knoxville, Tenn. On 16 September 1916 he married Hattie Walling, daughter of John and Cornelia (Landurn) Walling of Nashville, Tenn. He was a mechanical engineer. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and resided at Nashville. He died of kidney trouble 7 July 1929 and was buried in the Mount Olivet cemetery at Nashville. His widow resided (1947) on Nebraska Ave., Nashville.

Child

* 1. John Walter _____ (1921-1944)

1.7.4.1.1.

John Walter Taylor (1921-1944), only son of James Bennett and Hattie (Walling) Taylor, was born 8 March 1921

at Nashville, Tenn. He received his education at Nashville, graduating from the Hume Fogg high school in June 1938. He took a civil service examination and worked for the Government until he enlisted, during World War II, in the United States Air Force. "J. W.", as he was called, became a first lieutenant and piloted a B-24 bomber.[a] He was leading his squadron in the New Guinea theatre when his plane was shot down by the Japanese on Easter Sunday, 1944. He lost his left wing and radioed back that he thought he could make it, but just at that moment his tail fell and the bomber exploded before it hit the water. Not one of the crew of ten was ever heard from.[b]

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a. The following is part of a letter written by Lt. Taylor to his mother describing his experiences when, on his return from the bombing of Rabaul 18 October 1943, he and his crew were forced to bail out into the jungles of New Guinea:

"Dear Mother—We started out that morning around seven A. M. to bomb the Japs at a base on one of the Islands. Bad weather caused us to fly around quite a bit more than usual and we had bombed a secondary target. We then started for our home base.

"On the way back, just before we started over a stretch of jungles, we checked our gasoline tanks and the gauges indicated that plenty of gas remained. The gauges must have been off quite a bit because in just about fifteen minutes all the engines quit and we started down. I knew we were over some hills but we were in solid clouds and were unable to see the ground. Everybody got their chutes on and luckily we hit a clear spot so six of the crew jumped.

"We then hit another cloud but broke into the clear again right away and the four of us remaining proceeded to bail out. We were pretty close to the ground by then and from the short period of time that elapsed between the time I jumped and the time I stopped in the top of a tree, I judged that I had jumped about 800 feet above the ground. The plane continued to glide down in a circle and crashed on the side of a hill.

"We had dropped our bombs on the Nips and burned up all our gas so the plane did not burn or explode but I imagine it was smashed up a bit when it plowed into the trees.

"The section of the jungle we landed in had some pretty high trees, so when I stopped going down I found that my chute was tangled in the limbs in the top of a tree and that I was hanging about 15 feet from the nearest limb above me, and that about 100 feet of nothing was between my feet and mother earth down below. I unbuckled my straps, stood up in the seat of my chute and spent 45 minutes trying to climb shroud lines up to the limbs above me. Being unable to climb the silk lines I only wasted the time and strength. That wasted strength was later to cost me some skin off one leg and a hard bump in the region covered by my hip pockets. Finding I couldn't go up, I began to figure out a means of getting down. That was fun too, there wasn't a doggone thing under me but air.

"To make it really nice, I noticed that the wind was beginning to blow, and then it started raining. The wind started me swinging, so I just helped it along and finally caught a branch of a small tree nearby. The branch and tree were too small to hold me but I pulled on the limbs and managed to get to a large vine. Praying that the vine wouldn't break, I slipped out of my chute and hugged the vine for dear life. The vine held and so did I. Another vine crossed the one I was on below me, so

I stopped when I got there and rested, but my arms and hands just wouldn't rest. I went down a little farther and caught another small limb with my legs and tried to rest but still no good. The strength wouldn't come back to my hands. Leaving the limb, I slid to within 25 feet of the ground before my hands gave out and I went down with no brakes. That is where the bump in the rear came in and also my leg that was wrapped around the vine sort of managed to leave some skin with the vine.

"When I could breathe again I went up the hill to where my co-pilot, Pat Freeman of Gilbertsville, Ill., was hanging about 40 feet from the ground. Freeman couldn't make it to any tree or vines and his hands slipped and he dropped to the ground. He was out cold for four or five minutes and the fall tore loose his sternum—that's the thing where your ribs meet in front. He is off for two months until that heals. Pat and I spent the night on the side of the hill and of course it rained all night. The next morning we walked down the hill and then down the stream which was at the bottom. We knew the stream would go to the coast and we would find natives near the river or on the coast.

"That morning we caught up with my Radio operator, Robert E. Fitzgerald of Quincy, Mass., and that afternoon we caught my tail gunner, Louis D. Ball, of Chicago, Ill. These were the others of the four that bailed out last. The six who bailed first got together and got back to the base in six days.

"We, three and myself, walked all day and slept at night on the ground in the rain. We climbed hills, waded and swam rivers, climbed up over and around rocks or the banks of the river for eleven days before we finally came to a native village.

"The only food we had was on the fifth day when we shot a fish and cleaned and ate it. We each got a piece about the size of the palm of your hand. That was all we had to eat for eleven days. We drank water out of the river without being able to purify it in any way.

"It was pretty rough going and we had a damn hard time but we all decided the first night that we would make it. We had been sitting around thinking and nobody saying anything. I had been thinking of home and you and Peggy and all the folks and friends and the good days, so I asked the boys if they all wanted to get back, and they each said 'Yes', so we all stacked hands together like in a football huddle before the game and said 'We will get back'. Maybe it seems silly, but it helped a lot then, and later, too. When somebody would get tired the others would talk him into getting up and walking a little farther. Being together made a lot of difference.

"When we got to the native village we asked for food, and they fed us and put us in an empty house and we slept that afternoon and night and the next day and night. Our stomachs had shrunk and we could only eat a little at a time, so we would eat a little and sleep awhile.

"The natives took care of us and carried us down the river to the coast to the nearest Army post.

"The canoe trip down the river lasted for ten hours and tired us quite a lot, but we slept good that night and came back by coastal lugger the next day to the port nearest our base.

"The Aussies had radioed the night before, so our squadron flight surgeon met us at the dock with an ambulance. We piled in and were carried to the squadron. They fed us a big dinner of hamburger steaks and fried eggs and raisin bread and fresh butter and canned pineapple juice. It was really good and we were so happy to be back at our squadron with our buddies and to find out the rest of the crew were back safe and sound and all of us were nearly in tears we were so happy. Then the Doc carried us over and, while he filled out the medical reports, he gave us big shots of real American whiskey and we talked to all the gang.

"Then we came to the hospital. I got 'Tsu Gamuchi' or Japanese river fever, commonly known as 'Scrub Typhus'. Don't worry, as it isn't as bad as it sounds. The worst part is the first nine days. It can be serious then if one is up and moving around. Fortunately I was in the hospital for a week before it started and now it is all over and I am recuperating very nicely. The way it can hurt you is when the fever

1.7.4.3.

Fanny Angel Taylor (1899-), daughter of Walter and Lillie (Angel) Taylor, was born 27 July 1899 at Knoxville, Tenn. She attended the Hume Fogg high school and Miss Brown's finishing school at Knoxville.

On 14 April 1920 Fanny married Alton Henegar, hardware salesman of Nashville, Tenn., who was born 21 October 1892 at Smithville, Tenn., son of John Bell Henegar, merchant of McMinnville, Tenn., and his wife, Randa (Collier) Henegar.

Child

* 1. Jennie Louise _____ (1921-)

1.7.4.3.1.

Jennie Louise Henegar (1921-), daughter of Alton and Fanny Angel (Taylor) Henegar, was born 14 May 1921

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starts if you don't get in bed and stay there it hardens the muscles around the heart and becomes fatal. As I said, I was in bed before it started, so there was no danger. My doctor was very smart and though he didn't know what I had he treated me as if I had everything, so it was O. K. The hospital has had only one death in 53 cases, and he didn't come in soon enough. Also, it leaves no after effects, so I don't have to worry about it ever coming back or having heart trouble in later life. It isn't bad at all, except that the fever burns you out quite a bit and you have to take it very slow getting up. I was set to get up yesterday and leave the hospital next week if nothing showed up. Since this Typhus came out in my last blood test, I will be in bed another week at least and then start walking around by easy stages and will be at least two weeks after I get up before I can leave the hospital. That will make my time in the hospital total up to seven weeks and that is a long time.

"I feel fine but am not trying to rush things as I don't want to take any chances, although I am anxious to get back to flying and get my time in so I can come home.

"Ball, my tail-gunner, got malaria. Fitzgerald lost his false teeth and has to wait two months to get some more, and is grounded. William E. (Shorty) Townsend of Mena, Ark., my navigator, came out worst of all. The day after they got back he had an epileptic convulsion and is in a general hospital for observation. If he has epilepsy, he will go back to the States for a medical discharge. I really hate it, because he is a wonderful navigator, but, more important, is the best little guy in all the world you could have for a friend. If I had a brother, I would want him to be like Shorty. He is really a swell fellow and it hurt like hell inside the day he left. You get kinder crazy about these guys you live and fly and fight with, and Shorty was by far the most valuable man on my crew. He knew his job backward and forward and could navigate in his sleep or with a hangover or both; I've seen him do it, in fact.

"I think this is a pretty good letter and hope it will pass the censor but I'm not sure.

"I honestly feel fine, so don't worry. I'll be up and flying and back home before you learn to pronounce 'Tsu Tsu Gamuchi' (Su-Su Gamushe). Be careful and write all the low-down; tell all the folks 'hello' and love. Jay."

b. This information was received from the pilot of one of the bombers in Lt. Taylor's squadron.

at Nashville, Tenn. She graduated from Ward Belmont College and on 14 July 1939 at Franklin, Ky., married James L. Carter,[a] hardware merchant of Nashville, where they resided on Ewing Lane. They had a daughter, Frances Diane, who was born 10 March 1942 at Nashville, Tenn.

1.7.5.

Fred Taylor (1869-1935), son of Jesse and Roxsy (Armstrong) Taylor, was born 28 May 1869 at St. Williams, Norfolk county, Ont. When he was two years old his mother died and his father's sister Susan of Port Rowan assisted in his rearing.

In his late teens Fred followed his father and older brother, Walter, to Tennessee. He became an employee of the Western Union Telegraph Company in Atlanta, Ga., and remained with that company most of his life in the capacity of builder and inspector of lines. In his later life, in order to be at home more, he obtained employment with the Louisville and Nashville Railway.

On 28 December 1896 at Knoxville, Tenn., Fred married Lucy Angel, who was born 27 November 1876 in Franklin county, Va., daughter of James Monroe and Louisa (Akers) Angel of Knoxville.[a] They resided in Knoxville.

During most of his life Fred was a member of the Masonic Order. He was Master of the Blue Lodge in Columbia, S. C., and in Harlan, Ky.; was Prelate of the Commandry; and a Shriner.

In 1932 Fred, when crossing a road on his railway motor car, was struck by a hit-and-run automobile driver, and suffered serious injury. He was quite helpless after the accident, but lived for almost three years. He died 18 December 1935 and was buried at Knoxville under the auspices of the Masonic Order. They had no children.

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a. Born 16 May 1918 at Nashville, Tenn., son of James L. Carter, Sr., hardware merchant of Nashville, and his wife Leah, daughter of Richard and Clara Ann Jackson.

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a. Lucy was younger sister of Lillie Angel, who married Fred Taylor's brother Walter. (For Angel family see Walter Taylor 1.7.4., note a.) In 1948 Lucy resided in Louisville, Ky., at 1227 South 6th St.

JANE TAYLOR

1.8.

JANE TAYLOR (1835-1910), daughter of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born in England. She was baptised 9 August 1835 in the Church of England at Highway, Wiltshire. When she was seven years old she went to Canada with her parents and resided at Forestville, Norfolk county, Ont., where her father was a wagon maker.

On 20 August 1856 Jane married Charles Gee,[a] who had seen Jane when the Taylor family tarried in Kingston on their way to Forestville, and remembered her when he met her years later.

Charles Gee was born in 1823 in New York State, son of John Gee and Hannah Evidon. He appears to have resided on Wolfe Island,[b] Ont., and to have spent some time in the Niagara District before making his way to Norfolk county, where he married at the age of 33. He settled on a 116-acre Crown grant, Lot 23, Con. 4, south of Talbot Road, Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont., near the village of South Middleton. Their children were born on this farm, and on it Charles died in his 77th year. On his death the farm was taken over by his sons Ira and Charles, who granted a life lease to the widow, Jane. In 1905 the sons divided the property into two equal parts and, 3 February 1910, Ira sold his 58 acres to his brother Charles, subject to the life interest of their mother. Jane died in 1910. Both Jane and her husband were buried at Lynedoch, a village five miles east of South Middleton.

* 1. Ira Emerson _____ (1857-1936)
* 2. Laura Ann _____ (1861-1933)
* 3. Jasper Taylor _____ (1863-1940)

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a. See Appendix 7—Gee Family.

b. An island 21 miles long and approximately three miles wide in the St. Lawrence River. Formerly called Long Island, Wolfe Island is a farming community and lies in Frontenac county, directly opposite Kingston, Ont. See Appendix 7, note a.

* 4. Mary Jane _____ (1866-1930)
* 5. Charles Harvey ____ (1868-)
* 6. Olive Maria _____ (1869-1919)
* 7. Lavilla _____ (1877-1937)

1.8.1.

Ira Emerson Gee (1857-1936), eldest son of Charles and Jane (Taylor) Gee, was born 31 October 1857 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. When he was about 10 years old he cut his knee, which injury resulted in his permanent lameness. As a young man he worked in the lumber woods of Michigan in the winters, and while engaged in this work he suffered another injury, this time a broken leg. He learned carpentry and most of his life was spent at this trade. On his retirement he lived in Tillsonburg, Ont.

Ira married Electa Harris, who was born in 1867, daughter of Moses Marshall Harris (see Jonah Louks 1.3.5., note a) and Avelina White. Ira died in 1936 and Electa died 27 January 1937. Both were buried at Tillsonburg, Ont. They had no children.

1.8.2.

Laura Ann Gee (1861-1933), eldest daughter of Charles and Jane (Taylor) Gee, was born 5 May 1861 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. She married Walter Jerome of New York City, agent for a novelty company. He and Laura moved to Chicago, where they kept a rooming house on Michigan Avenue, West. Walter died, his wife surviving him until 12 October 1933. Both were buried at Chicago. They had no children.

1.8.3.

Jasper Taylor Gee (1863-1940), son of Charles and Jane (Taylor) Gee, was born 18 December 1863 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. He was a farmer and worked in the Michigan lumber woods in the winters. On 4 April 1894 at Merrill, Wisc., he married Annie Gatterman,[a] who was born 22 July 1875 at Chrisdorf, Germany. She came to America

a. Daughter of Franz Gatterman, weaver of broadcloth, who was born 20 January 1852, and his wife, Klara Braschek, who was born 12 August 1856. Mr. and Mrs. Gatterman migrated from Chrisdorf, Germany, to America in 1875. They settled at Salis-

when she was six weeks old. Mr. Gee farmed in Middleton township from 1894 to 1899, in which year he returned to Wisconsin. He worked in a lumber mill at Merrill, logging in the northern part of the State in the winters. In 1905 he moved to Robe, Washington, and in 1906 bought 12 acres of wooded land near Snohomish, Wash. He cleared the land, built a house and farm buildings, and spent the remainder of his life on this ranch. It is related of him that he often sat at sunset looking at the Cascade Mountains to the east and the Olympics to the west and said he could not have picked a much prettier view. He died 6 December 1940 of a kidney ailment. He was buried in the Grand Army of the Republic cemetery at Snohomish, Wash. After his death Mrs. Gee resided with her daughter in Seattle.

Child

* 1. Grace Laura _____ (1896-)

1.8.3.1.

Grace Laura Gee (1896-), daughter of Jasper Taylor Gee and Annie Gatterman, was born 8 June 1896 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. She attended high school in Snohomish, Wash. On her graduation in 1915 she won a scholarship to Washington State College but went instead for a summer session at the Bellingham normal school. On 3 July 1916 at Everett, Wash., she married Walter Vreeland,[a] who was born 18 March 1893 at Madison, S. D. Walter was a railroad man. For over four years during World War II he worked seven days a week. During the same period Grace made foot lockers for the Army for one year, using a hammer eight hours a day. For two years she inspected and candled oil drums that were reconditioned to fill the need for gasoline containers. After the war she worked as a laminator, or press operator, sealing discharges, birth certificates, identifications, etc., in plastic.

bury, Missouri, and later moved to Merrill, Wisconsin, where Mr. Gatterman worked in a factory. Mrs. Gatterman died in 1901 and Mr. Gatterman in 1907. Both were buried at Merrill. They belonged to the Roman Catholic Church.

a. Son of Edward Milton Vreeland, carpenter, and his wife, Mary Matilda Bagley,

On 27 January 1947 Mr. Vreeland died of coronary thrombosis. He was buried in the Evergreen cemetery at Everett, Wash. In 1948 Mrs. Vreeland resided at 2650-9th Ave., W., Seattle, Wash.

Children

* 1. Pearl Grace _____ (1917-)
* 2. Ellen Florence _____ (1921-)

1.8.3.1.1.

Pearl Grace Vreeland (1917-), daughter of Walter and Grace (Gee) Vreeland, was born 12 June 1917 at Everett, Wash. She graduated from the Everett high school in 1935, attended Rogers Business College, did office work for eight years, and 3 July 1941 at Seattle married Gilbert Gary,[a] who was born 10 April 1918 at Everett. Gilbert was an aircraft storekeeper. In 1948 they resided at 3609 Hoyt Ave., Everett, Wash. They had no children.

1.8.3.1.2.

Ellen Florence Vreeland (1921-), daughter of Walter and Grace (Gee) Vreeland, was born 22 December 1921 at Everett, Wash. Ellen graduated in 1939 from the Everett high school and 12 August 1944 at Seattle, Wash., married Forest Hanvey,[a] who was born 14 August 1910 at Mt. Vernon,

daughter of James and Mary Ann (Sutton) Bagley of Genesee, Wisc. Both were buried in the Evergreen cemetery at Everett, Wash.

Edward Milton Vreeland was son of John Vreeland (1821-1904) and his wife, whose maiden name was Spear. John Vreeland taught manual training at the custodial school at Waukesha, Wisc., until 1878, when they migrated in a covered wagon to what is now Madison, S. D. Mrs. Vreeland died in South Dakota and Mr. Vreeland spent his last years with his daughter in Washington. He was buried in the Grand Army of the Republic cemetery at Snohomish, Wash.

John Vreeland's father was born in Manhattan, and his mother in Germany. The Vreeland family came from the Netherlands, and representatives of the family resided (1948) in New Jersey.

a. Son of Harry L. Gary, shingle manufacturer, who was born 1883 at Millersburg, Ind., and died 1943 when his automobile was hit by a train near Marysville, Wash. On 20 June 1912 at Everett, Wash., Harry L. Gary married Euphemia Densmore, who was born 15 July 1884 at St. Croix Falls, Wisc., daughter of John William Densmore of St. Croix Falls, who was born in Nova Scotia 13 November 1849, and his wife, Elizabeth Hamble, who was born 31 January 1856.

a. Son of Fred Hanvey, who was born 5 February 1888 and married 7 August 1909 Daicie Fox, daughter of William Robert Fox, barber, of Oklahoma, and his wife, Mary Alice Rarey, who was born 18 August 1868.

Wash. Mr. Hanvey was a nurseryman. In 1948 they resided at 5819 Seventh Ave., N. W., Seattle, Wash.

Children

1. Jean Ellen, b. Oct. 27, 1946
2. Kay Lorraine, b. Feb. 13, 1948

1.8.4.

Mary Jane Gee (1866-1930), daughter of Charles and Jane (Taylor) Gee, was born 15 August 1866 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On 14 April 1894 she married Robert Harris, who was born 7 August 1847 on a farm on which part of North Toronto is built. Robert had a harness shop at Norwich, Oxford county, Ont., and belonged to the Presbyterian Church. Mary Jane died 14 April 1930 and Robert died 9 April 1934. Both were buried at Norwich.

Children

* 1. Charles Hibbert ____ (1895-)
* 2. Geraldine _____ (1897-)
* 3. Roy _____ (1899-)

1.8.4.1.

Charles Hibbert Harris (1895-), eldest son of Robert and Mary Jane (Gee) Harris, was born 29 July 1895 at Norwich, Oxford county, Ont. Charles was a collector of customs and excise in the employ of the Canadian Government at Brantford, Ont., and, from 1948, at Niagara Falls, Ont.

Charles served in World War I and was wounded in the Battle of Cambrai, France. He married Ida (Clark) Fletcher, and had a daughter, Geraldine, who was born 29 August 1937.

1.8.4.2.

Geraldine Harris (1897-), daughter of Robert and Mary Jane (Gee) Harris, was born 28 February 1897 at Norwich, Oxford county, Ont. On 27 December 1916 she married George Robinson, who was born 13 August 1895 at Rest

Acres, Brant county, 5 miles west of Brantford, Ont., son of George and Jessie (Marshall) Robinson, farmers of Rest Acres, who were buried in Paris, Brant county, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson resided (1948) at Vandecar, East Oxford township, Oxford county, Ont.

Children

* 1. Howard Harris _____ (1918-)
* 2. Arthur Gerald _____ (1920-)
* 3. Pauline Estelle _____ (1922-)
* 4. George Robert _____ (1924-)
* 5. Geraldine Lillian ___ (1926-)
* 6. Jessie Josephine ____ (1928-)
7. Donald Hibbert, b. July 23, 1929
8. Harold Douglas, b. Dec. 12, 1932
9. Margaret Patricia, b. Apr. 10, 1935
10. Barbara Jeanette, b. Mar. 25, 1937
11. John Benjamin, b. Sept. 29, 1938

1.8.4.2.1.

Howard Harris Robinson (1918-), son of George and Geraldine (Harris) Robinson, was born 4 June 1918. During World War II he served in the Canadian Army, and in 1948 was farming his own land at Harrington, Oxford county, Ont.

1.8.4.2.2.

Arthur Gerald Robinson (1920-), son of George and Geraldine (Harris) Robinson, was born 12 March 1920. During World War II he served in the Canadian Army in the Mechanical Engineering Corps. In 1948 he was employed as a truck driver and bulldozer operator.

1.8.4.2.3.

Pauline Estelle Robinson (1922-), daughter of George and Geraldine (Harris) Robinson, was born 22 January 1922. She married Joseph Pedley, foundryman of Brantford, Ont.

Children

1. Joseph Howard, b. Aug. 13, 1941
2. Donald Wayne, b. Sept. 17, 1942
3. Albert Louis, b. Jan. 29, 1943
4. Andrea Louise, b. June 24, 1944
5. Gerald Douglas, b. Aug. 12, 1946

1.8.4.2.4.

George Robert Robinson (1924-), son of George and Geraldine (Harris) Robinson, was born 4 September 1924. In 1948 he was a farmer on his father's farm at Vandecar, East Oxford township, Oxford county, Ont.

1.8.4.2.5.

Geraldine Lillian Robinson (1926-), daughter of George and Geraldine (Harris) Robinson, was born 12 June 1926. In 1948 she was employed in Brantford, Ont.

1.8.4.2.6.

Jessie Josephine Robinson (1928-), daughter of George and Geraldine (Harris) Robinson, was born 5 May 1928. She attended business college in Woodstock and in 1948 was keeping house for her brother Howard.

1.8.4.3.

Roy Harris (1899-), son of Robert and Mary Jane (Gee) Harris, was born 29 August 1899 at Norwich, Oxford county, Ont. He married Helena Priddle, daughter of Frederick and Clara (Mustard) Priddle of Norwich. He was a truck driver for the Borden Company at Norwich.

Children

* 1. Norma Ludell _____ (1921-)
* 2. Robert Roy _____ (1923-)
* 3. Rosemary _____ (1927-)
4. William Frederick, b. July 12, 1929; d. 1937
5. John, b. June 18, 1931
6. James, b. Aug. 17, 1933
7. Clair, b. Jan. 23, 1936

1.8.4.3.1.

Norma Ludell Harris (1921-), daughter of Roy and Helena (Priddle) Harris, was born 6 February 1921 at Norwich, Oxford county, Ont. On 16 October 1943 she married William Andrews, Jr., who was born 4 June 1909, son of William and Mary Andrews of England. In 1948 William Andrews, Jr., was operator of an automobile service station at Norwich.

Children

1. Robert, b. Sept. 24, 1944
2. Edith May, b. May 21, 1947

1.8.4.3.2.

Robert Roy Harris (1923-), son of Roy and Helena (Priddle) Harris, was born 17 October 1923 at Norwich, Ont. On 28 June 1947 he married Gladys Burnett, daughter of William Royce and Dorothy Burnett of Princeton, Oxford county, Ont. During World War II Robert served in the Royal Canadian Air Force, from 1943 to 1945 in Canada and from 1945 to 1946 in England. In 1948 he was driving a truck for the Farmers' Cooperative, and Gladys was clerking in a grocery store in Norwich.

1.8.4.3.3.

Rosemary Harris (1927-), daughter of Roy and Helena (Priddle) Harris, was born 17 July 1927 at Norwich, Oxford county, Ont. On 7 December 1946 she married Donald MacArthur, who was born in 1922, son of Austin MacArthur of Windsor, Ont. Donald served for five years in the Canadian Army during World War II. In 1948 he was employed as a truck driver. They had 2 children, Richard Allen and Donald Francis.

1.8.5.

Charles Harvey Gee (1868-), youngest son of Charles and Jane (Taylor) Gee, was born 22 January 1868 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. On the death of their father in 1899, Charles and his brother Ira became the owners

of their father's 116-acre farm, Lot 23, Con. 4, Middleton. Charles became sole owner 3 February 1910, subject to the life interest of his mother. On 4 February 1938 the farm house and everything in it was destroyed by fire. Charles erected a small dwelling on the site of the original house. On 28 February 1946 he sold the farm to Roy and Emily Lambert, subject to a life lease of the small dwelling, where he was residing in 1948.

1.8.6.

Olive Maria Gee (1869-1919), daughter of Charles and Jane (Taylor) Gee, was born 3 November 1869 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. In July 1905 at Delhi, Ont., she married Andrew Cameron[a] of Courtland, Middleton township. He was born 18 August 1874. He operated lumber mills at various points in southern Ontario, spending some years at Thorndale, Middlesex county, Ont. In July 1918 he moved to London, Ont., where he worked at carpentry.

Olive Maria died 6 September 1919 and was buried in the Methodist cemetery at Courtland. In 1948 Mr. Cameron was residing at 90 Glenwood Avenue, London. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cameron were members of the United Church.

Children

* 1. Ethel _____ (1907-)
* 2. Albert Earl _____ (1909-)
* 3. Olive _____ (1912-)

1.8.6.1.

Ethel Cameron (1907-), eldest daughter of Andrew and Olive Maria (Gee) Cameron, was born 21 January 1907 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. She graduated from the London technical school at London, Ont., and, until her marriage, was stenographer and clerk in the McCormick Manufacturing Company at London and in the Northway-Rush Company at Tillsonburg, Oxford county, Ont.

a. Son of James Walter Cameron, who was born at Mount Pleasant, Brant county, Ont., and married, 1873, at Courtland, Ont., Deborah Ann, who was born near Simcoe, Ont., daughter of Joseph and Charity Chipps.

At London 17 June 1933 Ethel married Harry Jones,[a] who was born 30 January 1903 at Pendlebury, England. Mr. Jones studied mining engineering in England and went to Canada in 1923, settling at Tillsonburg. In 1948 he was a shipper in the Metal Fabricators Company at Tillsonburg, with residence at 28 Queen St.

Children

1. Marian Ethel, b. May 12, 1935, at Tillsonburg, Ont.
2. Donald Harry, b. May 2, 1940, at Tillsonburg, Ont.
3. Ruth Evelyn, b. June 18, 1942, at Tillsonburg, Ont.

1.8.6.2.

Albert Earl Cameron (1909-), son of Andrew and Olive Maria (Gee) Cameron, was born 5 August 1909 near Langton, Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont. He attended public and high schools in London, Ont., and resided in Tillsonburg, Ont., before establishing his business as building contractor in Merritton, Lincoln county, Ont. On 8 May 1943 in the St. James Anglican church at Merritton he married Clara Boyle[a] of Merritton.

Children

1. Kenneth Earl, b. Feb. 14, 1944
2. Lorraine Elizabeth, b. Dec. 27, 1946

1.8.6.3.

Olive Cameron (1912-), daughter of Andrew and Olive Maria (Gee) Cameron, was born 5 February 1912 at

a. Son of Pryce and Eliza (Hughes) Jones of Pendlebury, near Manchester, England. Pryce Jones was born 27 November 1871 at Ruabon, Wales. He worked in the mines in Wales and later removed to Pendlebury, where he married and resided until his death 12 August 1916. He suffered a broken back caused by a fall of coal in the mine where he was working, and lived only ten days after the accident. He was buried in Christ Church cemetery at Pendlebury. His widow (who was born 14 October 1875 at Pendlebury) took her children to Canada in 1923 and settled at Tillsonburg, where (1948) she resided with her daughter.

a. Daughter of Henry Nelson Boyle, paper mill foreman, who was born 29 August 1880 at Port Robinson, Welland county, Ont., and Clara Malinda Busch, who was born 29 March 1884 at Wainfleet, Welland county, Ont., daughter of Edward and Elizabeth Busch.

Princeton, Oxford county, Ont. She was reared in London, Ont. From September 1940 to May 1948 she operated a beauty shop at 403 Richmond St., London, after which she was employed as nurse in a dentist's office. She resided at 90 Glenwood Avenue. She was a member of the United Church.

1.8.7.

Lavilla (Lillian) Gee (1877-1937), youngest daughter of Charles and Jane (Taylor) Gee, was born in September 1877 in Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont. She kept house for her brother Charles on the farm home on Lot 23, Con. 4, Middleton township. She died in April 1937 and was buried at Lynedoch, a village five miles east of South Middleton in Middleton township.

SUSANNA TAYLOR

1.9.

SUSANNA TAYLOR (1840-1926), youngest daughter of Jasper and Anna (Whale) Taylor, was born in England 17 April 1840. She was baptized in the Church of England at Highway, Wiltshire, 24 May 1840. She accompanied her parents to Canada in 1842 and resided at Forestville, Norfolk county, where her father was a wagon maker.

Susan was housekeeper for her brother Jesse in Port Rowan, Norfolk county, and helped him raise his children after the death of his wife in 1872. She later rented a house in Port Rowan, where she kept roomers and boarders and added to her income by making and selling home-made bread. Her boarding house was a popular home for students of the Port Rowan high school.

Toward the end of her life Susan lived for two years with her niece Mrs. Edward Francis at Hamilton, Ont., and for three years in the Osler Memorial Home at Dundas, Wentworth county, Ont., where she died 16 June 1926, at the age of 86. She was buried at Dundas.

APPENDIX I

BACKHOUSE FAMILY

MARY ANN BACKHOUSE (see John Taylor 1.4.) was granddaughter of Major John Backhouse, who was born 14 April 1755. With his wife and 8 children he left Yorkshire,[a] England, and came to New Jersey. They were accompanied by a young couple from Lancashire. The Lancashire couple remained in New Jersey, while the Backhouse family proceeded to Canada, residing first at St. Catharines, Ont.

At Newark 4 June 1794 Mr. Backhouse petitioned Governor Simcoe for an assignment of land, stating that his original intention had been to settle in Nova Scotia, but Upper Canada had been represented to him as possessing superior advantages. On 9 July 1794 he was granted 600 acres anywhere in the vicinity of York.

In 1795 Governor Simcoe visited Norfolk county and chose for its chief town, Charlotteville, at Turkey Point. Believing that Charlotteville was to become a town of great importance, Mr. Backhouse on 26 June 1795 petitioned to have his grant

a. So stated on his tombstone; also by Mrs. Jane Moore (Backhouse) Ploughman of Aylmer, Ont., youngest daughter of Major John Backhouse, when interviewed by Albert Backus, lawyer of Aylmer, Ont., about 1870. E. A. Owen, is his *Pioneer Sketches of the Long Point Settlement*, 1898, said that Major John Backhouse was descended from a Lancashire family, one of the oldest and most distinguished Quaker families of England. Both statements may be correct.

According to Joseph Foster (*Descendants of John Backhouse of Yealand Redman, Lancashire, yeoman, who died 1690*, pub. 1894), this family resided in Lancashire and spread by 1770 to Yorkshire. One of the line was Sir Roger Backhouse (1879-1939), who was appointed First Sea Lord of the British Admiralty and Chief of the Naval Staff in February 1938. Members of the family in the 18th century established a flax-dressing mill in Yorkshire and founded Backhouse's Bank, which was later merged with Barclay's Bank.

Recent communication between the family of Sir Roger Backhouse in England and the descendants of Major John Backhouse in Port Rowan indicates that John Backhouse who came to St. Catharines in 1791, while from Yorkshire, was indeed a member of the Lancashire family. The proof appears to lie in the coat of arms used by the Canadian family, which is the same as that of the English family; in the Quaker speech of Major John Backhouse, there being no one in his neighborhood of the Quaker faith; and in his familiarity with milling, which was the business of the family in England at that time.

transferred[b] to the Long Point country. His petition was granted, and he settled on Lot 17, Con. 2, Walsingham township, Norfolk county.

Mr. Backhouse removed to the Long Point property about 1798 and on it erected a sawmill, sawed timber, and erected a house. He then built a large grist mill, the first grist mill in the western portion of Upper Canada. Later he built a much larger house, reputed to have had eighty doors and a spacious hall with a fireplace on each side, much of the interior woodwork being imported from England.[c] He then left his sons in charge of the mills at Port Rowan and went some 20 miles west to Silver Creek (a little east of Otter Creek, on which Port Burwell is located) where, on Lots 17 and 18, Con. 1, Malahide township, Elgin county, he built another mill. This mill, with the 400 acres of land and the houses and barns thereon, passed on his decease to his son Abraham.

Mr. Backhouse was one of the first justices of the peace in the London District of Upper Canada, having been appointed in April and sworn in in June 1800. In this capacity he solemnized marriages. In 1801, when the township of Walsingham was set off as a district division for judicial purposes and a Divisional Court of Requests (for the hearing of small claims) was established, Mr. Backhouse was appointed associate justice for this court, which was held at his own house. In 1809 he was sworn in as high constable for the District of London and in 1824 at Vittoria he was chairman at the summer term of the Court of Quarter Sessions for that district. He was major of the First Regiment of Norfolk militia during the War of 1812.

In 1814, when the Americans raided this locality, burning the mills in the new settlement, the Backhouse mills, being in a deep ravine, were overlooked.

Although Mr. Backhouse had a Quaker background, he presided in 1803 at a meeting of Episcopalian settlers at Job

b. See *Petitions for Grants of Land 1792-96*, in *Ontario Historical Society Papers and Records*, Vol. XXIV.

c. In 1853 this house was replaced by a moderate-sized one. The flour mill was partly rebuilt and enlarged in 1808. The sawmill was torn down in 1898 and moved upstream about ¼ mile. The mills were still operating in 1947 and were reputed to be the oldest continuously operated mills in Ontario. (See *Norfolk County, an Illustrated Review*, published in 1939 by Norfolk Chamber of Commerce, Simcoe, Ont.)

Loder's tavern at Turkey Point to arrange for the establishment of an Anglican church in the settlement. His daughter, Jane Ploughman, said of her father that, while he did not always practice attending church, he insisted "most unscrupulously" that his family go. There is record of the baptism of three of his children by Rev. Robert Addison of St. Mark's Anglican Church, Niagara, 8 February 1802.

Besides the land which Major Backhouse had received as a military claimant, he acquired during his lifetime several hundred acres in addition, so that on his decease he bequeathed to various of his children a total of 1,400 acres in Norfolk, Elgin, and Haldimand counties. In the course of the management of his properties and in pursuance of the civic duties which he had assumed, he customarily rode his horse, followed by a pack of hounds, in the manner of an English squire.

John Backhouse married, in England, Margaret Longbottom,[d] and by her had 4 sons and 4 daughters:

(1) Mary, born 7 August 1777, who raised the children of her deceased sister, Elizabeth Hutchinson; lived for years alone on Gleadall's Hill near Port Rowan; and, when over eighty years old, died unmarried.

(2) William (1779-1864). See second generation below.

(3) Elizabeth, who married Alexander Hutchinson (born in New Jersey, son of William Hutchinson, United Empire Loyalist) and who appears to have died before 1827 since she was not mentioned in her father's will and her children —John, George, and Maria—were brought up by her eldest sister, Mary.

(4) John, who married Hannah, daughter of Lucas Dedrick, United Empire Loyalist, and died in 1849, leaving 7 children.

(5) Esther, who married James Butler Hutchinson, brother of her sister Elizabeth's husband; settled near Port Bur-

d. In later years, Mrs. Jane Ploughman of Aylmer, Ont., youngest child of Major John Backhouse and his second wife, in relating her recollections of her father and his family, said: "For some reason my father's first wife's people were opposed to the marriage, and they repaired in the morning to a church and were married in opposition to the wish and will of her parents and people."

well, Elgin county, Ont.; and had William, Alexander Butler (who married Phoebe Price), Haley, and Jane.

(6) Thomas (Oct. 15, 1786-Sept. 17, 1849), captain of the First Regiment of Norfolk militia, appointed 23 October 1830 at York; who married Amelia E. Young of Scotland; resided on his father's Port Rowan mill property, which he inherited on his father's death; and had six children.

(7) Abraham, who married Miss Alway; resided on and inherited Lots 17 & 18, Con. 1, Malahide township, Elgin county, Ont., on which land his father had built a mill; and had 8 children.

(8) Maria Jemima, who was baptized by Rev. Robert Addison of Niagara 8 February 1802 along with her younger half-brother, Henry, and her half-sister, Nancy; and who married Joseph Culver.

Margaret (Longbottom) Backhouse died in St. Catharines, Ont., in 1796 or 1797. About two years later John went to New Jersey, where the Backhouses had parted from the couple who accompanied them in 1791 from England, having learned that the wife, Jane Moore,[e] was now a widow. He married her and brought her back to Port Rowan. Jane was born at Bowe Hill, Lancashire, England. They had three children: Henry Moore; Nancy Moore, who married Mr. Wrong; and Jane Moore, who married Mr. Ploughman. These three settled in the vicinity of Aylmer, Ont., and became known as the Aylmer branch of the family. Jane, second wife of John Backhouse, died 2 October 1809 at the age of 39. She was buried in the private cemetery on the Major's mill property at Port Rowan.

Major Backhouse married (3) Hannah Hains. He died[f] 15 September 1827 and was buried in the private cemetery on his own Port Rowan mill property.

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e. Mr. Owen gives Jane's family name as White, which probably was the name of her first husband.

f. John Backhouse left a will (see Surrogate Court records in Toronto, Ont.) with the following bequests:

To my wife Hannah £20 N. Y. currency to be paid unto her yearly during her widowhood, by my sons John and Thomas; to my eldest son, William, Lot 23, Con. 2,

Second generation

William Backhouse (May 7, 1779-Aug. 1, 1864), eldest son of Major John and Margaret (Longbottom) Backhouse, was born in England. He accompanied his parents to New Jersey and to St. Catharines, Ont., in 1791. He was a Methodist. He resided on Lot 23, Con. 2, Walsingham, 200 acres, which he inherited on his father's death. About 1803 he married Hannah McMichael, daughter of Capt. Edward and Elizabeth (McAllister) McMichael.[g] Hannah was born in 1788 and died 13 February 1849. She was buried in the private cemetery on the mill property of Major John Backhouse at Port Rowan. William and Hannah had 17 children, some of them twins. Their daughter Jane on her marriage took one pair of twins home with her.[h]

William died at the age of 85. He was buried beside his wife in the private cemetery on the mill property of Major John Backhouse at Port Rowan. His will, dated 14 October 1857, mentioned his second wife, Rebecca, and 12 children. Rebecca was to receive one-third of his personal property, she to have choice of which third; the remainder was to be sold at auction and half of the proceeds was to go to his daughter Matilda Backhouse for her portion, the rest to be distributed as follows: £8 each to daughters Ellen Cooper and Mima Roberts; 5s each to daughters Elizabeth Cook, Margaret Johnson, Jane Smith, Hannah Vanderburg, Amelia Willard, and Mary Ann Taylor (see third generation below); 5s each to sons George Backhouse, John A. Backhouse, and Edward Back-

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Walsingham, 200 acres; to my 2nd son, John, Pt. Lot 17, Con. 2, Walsingham, 200 acres, also Lot 18, Con. 2, Walsingham, 200 acres; to my 3rd son, Thomas, Pt. Lot 17, Con. 2, Walsingham, containing the flour mill and sawmill property; to my 4th son, Abraham, all of Lots 17 &18, Con. 1, Malahide township, Middlesex county, 400 acres, with all mills, houses and barns; to my 5th son, Henry, £40; to my daughter, Mary, £5 for a black dress; to my daughter, Esther, a black silk gown; to my daughter, Marie, £5 for a suit for mourning; to my daughter, Nancy Wrong, Lot 3, Con. 11, Walpole township, 200 acres; to my daughter, Jane Moore, Lot 1, Con. 12, Walpole township, 200 acres, £50, a good feather bed, 3 cows, 6 Windsor chairs, 1 walnut table, 1 cherry table.

g. See Appendix 10—McMichael Family.

h. Reported in 1946 by Jane's granddaughter, Mrs. Mary Gertrude Durham of Simcoe, Ont., who was born 23 August 1872.

house; all the remaining proceeds to go to his daughter Matilda in trust to be disposed of according to her discretion to assist any of her sisters who might be in need.

To the list of children as mentioned in the will, Mr. Owen adds James Jackson, and states that he married Miss Saxon of Bayham, Elgin county, Ont., where he settled and died.

Matilda, youngest daughter of William and Hannah (McMichael) Backhouse, married, about 1872, Isaac Foster of Erie View, near Port Royal on Lake Erie. Matilda had one daughter, Leury, who married (1) Frank Calhoun and (2) Frank Johnson. In 1948 Mrs. Leury (Foster) Calhoun Johnson was living at 726 Tenth Street, Port Huron, Mich.

Third generation

Mary Ann Backhouse (1830-1875) married John Taylor (see John Taylor 1.4.).

Sources include: Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ont., Mitchell Collection, Misc., Vol. VII; Public Records and Archives of Ontario, Toronto, Ont.; Surrogate Court records in Simcoe, Ont.; *Pioneer Sketches of the Long Point Settlement* by Egbert Americus Owen, 1898; *The Descendants of John Backhouse of Yealand Redman, Lancashire,* 1894, by Joseph Foster; *Ontario Historical Society Papers and Records,* Vol. II, p. 70, Vol. III, p. 18; *Historical Sketches of the County of Elgin,* Vol. 1, pub. by Elgin County Historical and Scientific Institute, 1895; *Early Educational History of Norfolk County,* by J. A. Bannister, 1926; *Norfolk County, an Illustrated Review,* pub. in 1939 by Norfolk Chamber of Commerce, Simcoe, Ont.; Fred Williams, historical editor of *Mail & Empire,* Toronto, in *A Yorkshire Pioneer of Upper Canada,* published in the issue of 26 March 1934; Unpublished interview by Albert Backus, lawyer of Aylmer, Ont., with Mrs. Jane Ploughman, about 1870; Mrs. John Cornelius Backhouse, great-great-granddaughter of Major John Backhouse and wife of John Cornelius Backhouse of Port Rowan, great-grandson of Major John Backhouse, owner (1947) of the Major's mill property.

APPENDIX 2

CRAIG FAMILY

THE father of Jane Craig, who married John Wilson (see Appendix 11—Wilson Family), was of Scottish origin. He married Rachel Gibson, of Irish ancestry, and had 8 children:

(1) Samuel.

(2) Andrew.

(3) Margaret, who married William Cook.

(4) Jane (? -1847), who married John Wilson (? -1847), and had 9 children (see Appendix 11—Wilson Family).

(5) Sarah, who married Mr. Henderson and had Mary Jane and Rachel.

(6) Rachel, who married Joseph Abraham and (1847) resided near Prescott, Ont. They had 9 children:

1. Margaret, who married Mr. Fallis and had 5 children: (a) Frances Ann, who died single and was buried at Jarvis, Ont.; (b) Joseph Abraham, bachelor, who resided at Jarvis, Ont.; (c) William John, who married Mary Bourne, resided in Walpole township, Haldimand county, Ont., and had 7 children—Robert Harold, Marguerite Maud, Mary Emeline, Kathleen Alice, Joseph Abraham (1860-1941), Helen Eliza, and Laura Bourne; (d) Rachel Craig; and (e) Margaret, spinster, who resided with her brother Joseph at Jarvis, Ont.
2. Rachel, who married Mr. Shuter, and had 7 children: (a) John, who married and resided in Walpole township, Haldimand county, Ont.; (b) Rachel and (c) Edith, spinsters, both of whom resided with their brother William; (d) Robert, bachelor; (e) Margaret, spinster, who resided with her brother Robert; (f) Minnie, spinster, who resided with her brother William, and (g) William, bachelor.

3. Mary Jane, who married Mr. McNeill and had 8 children: (a) Ellen, spinster; (b) Rachel, who married Mr. Nixon and had an only son, William; (c) Robert, bachelor, who resided at Jarvis, Ont.; (d) Joseph, who married Miss Nixon, resided in Cuba, and had a daughter, Mary; (e) John, who married Miss Parclo, resided at Calgary, Alta., and had 5 children—William, Margaret, Robert, Kathleen, and John; (f) Neal, who married Miss LeBar, resided in Saskatchewan, and had 4 children—Lorna, Robert, James, and Max; (g) Thomas, who married Miss Hudson, resided at Jarvis, Ont., and had Grace and Robert; and (h) Mary Jane, who married her cousin, William Meikle, resided at Toronto, Ont., and had 4 children—Annie, Mary, James, and Robert.
4. Sarah, who was born in 1841 and, in 1922, at the age of 81, was living at Jarvis, Ont., with her sister, Elizabeth Crawford.
5. John, who married Miss Edison, became a minister, resided at Toronto, Ont., and had one son, Herbert Edison, who married Miss Galbraith and had John Galbraith and George Edison.
6. Anna, who married Mr. Meikle and had 5 children: (a) William, who married his cousin, Mary Jane McNeill (see above); (b) Rachel Craig, who married Mr. Taylor, resided in Belfast, Ireland, and had 2 children; (c) Harvey; (d) Joseph Abraham, who resided in London, England; (e) John.
7. Agnes, who married Joseph Cox and settled in Thorndale, Middlesex county, Ont., and had no children.
8. Elizabeth, who married Thomas Crawford, resided at Jarvis, Ont., and had a daughter, Josephine.
9. William Joseph, who married Miss Donaldson, resided at Jarvis, Ont., died in April 1922, and had a son, Harvey, who married Miss Wright.

(7) William.

(8) Thomas.

Sources: Family tree prepared by James Frederick Wilson (1.6.12.) and supplemented by Grace (Wilson) Eedy (1.6.1.2.) of St. Mary's, Ont.

APPENDIX 3

CUMMING FAMILY

ROBERT BREMNER CUMMING (see Kate Livingston Taylor 1.5.2.1.) was great-grandson of William Cumming of Strathaven, Lanarkshire, Scotland, who married Janet Brown and had 8 children:

(1) Janet, who married Mr. Logan, resided at Crossford, Lanarkshire, Scotland, and died in Lanarkshire.

(2) Catharine, who married (1) Mr. MacDonald of Strathaven, married (2) Alexander Struthers of London, Ont., and had 2 daughters, Bella and Florence.

(3) Mary, who married Mr. Douglas of Lesmahagow, Lanarkshire. Mary died, and Mr. Douglas married (2) Janet Heaps who, as a widow, went to Canada, where she married Edward Craig, farmer, and resided in Lambton county near Croton, Ont.

(4) Jessie.

(5) John, who married Miss Stewart, resided at Sandyland (suburb of Glasgow), and later went to Australia.

(6) Robert, who married (1) Anne Nicol, resided at Strathaven, and had a son, Robert, who went to Australia. Anne died, and Mr. Cumming married a second time and had a son, James, who resided at Glasgow and lost 4 sons in a yacht accident at Greenock, on the River Clyde.

(7) James, who married Jean Hogg and resided in Lanarkshire. They had 5 children: (a) Robert, shepherd and lumberman, who went to Mississippi, where he died when lost in a swamp; (b) Walter; and (c) John, both of whom were railway porters in Sandyland station, Glasgow; (d) Janet; and (e) Margaret, both of whom died in Lanarkshire.

(8) William, who married (1) Agnes Hannan and had 4 children, married (2) Catharine Ross and had 7 children, and was buried at Ibrox, suburb of Glasgow. His 11 children were:

By his first wife

1. Jessie, who married John Henderson.
2. Simon, who resided at Partick (suburb of Glasgow); had a daughter, Emily; and raised his half-brother Johnnie.
3. John, who resided at Inverness-shire, Scotland, and raised his half-brother Alexander and his half-sister Lily.
4. Mary, who was born 15 February 1851 at Ebington, near Tintock, Scotland; went to Canada in 1870; on 24 August 1871 at Clachan, Elgin county, Ont., married Malcolm McArthur, farmer (born 25 July 1851 and died 14 January 1904); and died 30 June 1927. Malcolm and Mary had 6 children:
   (a) Jessie Jane, who was born 14 February 1873 and died 12 February 1878.
   (b) Ellen, who was born 11 March 1877 and married 10 November 1897 Harry C. Graham of London, England, printer, who was born 18 September 1879. They had 2 children—
      i. Francis William, who was born 18 August 1898, was master mechanic with the Burroughs Adding Machine Company of Detroit, Mich., married Elsie Davidson of Dundas, Wentworth county, Ont., died 27 July 1946, and was buried at Royal Oak, Mich. They had a son, Donald Arthur, born 7 February 1927, who served during World War II in the United States Marine Corps and (1948) was studying medicine at Detroit, Mich.
      ii. Arthur Henry, who was born 19 August 1900, graduated in medicine from the University of Toronto and was county health officer in Montgomery county, Alabama. He married 21 February 1931 Elma Gholson of Alabama (born 26 June 1906). They had 2 sons—Arthur Bruce (born 7 April 1932) and Charles Henry (born 14 February 1936).
   (c) William Cumming, farmer, who was born 26 January 1881 at Clachan, Ont., married 11 December 1907 Fanny Walters of Tyrconnell, Elgin county,

Ont., who died 14 January 1947 and was buried in Oaklawn cemetery near Glencoe, Middlesex county, Ont. They had 2 children—a son, still-born in 1909, and George William, who was born 5 November 1910 at Tyrconnell, married 18 August 1945 Viola Armstrong, and resided (1948) in Mosa township, Middlesex county, near Glencoe, Ont., on the farm with his father.

(d) John, still-born in 1883.

(e) Alexander Cumming, farmer, who was born 5 October 1885 at Clachan, Ont., and married Ina Allan of Tyrconnell, who was born 14 October 1889 and died 14 November 1944. They had 3 children—

i. Mary Gertrude, who was born 6 July 1915 at Tyrconnell, married 4 June 1938 Harold Victor Sloan, farmer of Wallacetown, Elgin county, Ont., and had Barbara Aileen (born 24 January 1942) and Evelyn Doreen (born 25 March 1948).

ii. Allan William, who was born 4 November 1917 at Tyrconnell, was employed by the Pere Marquette Railroad, and married 25 August 1948 Virginia Monteith of St. Thomas, Ont., who was born 3 December 1922.

iii. Ila May, who was born 11 February 1921 at St. Thomas, Ont., and resided (1948) at Wallacetown, Elgin county, Ont.

(f) Mary Cumming, who was born 22 April 1889 at Clachan, Ont., married Philip Pegg, laborer, of Toronto, Ont., resided at Argyle, Victoria county, Ont., and died 10 December 1918. Philip died at Toronto in 1946. They had 1 son, Arthur Jacob, soldier in the Canadian regular army, who was born 9 August 1907 at Dutton, Elgin county, Ont.

By his second wife

5. Robert, who was born 25 December 1853 at Beauly, Inverness-shire, and married 15 June 1883 Mary Bennett Howie.[a] Robert was home missionary on the estate of Lord Blantyre at Bishopton, Renfrewshire, Scotland. He later became an antique dealer and diamond merchant at Glasgow. Robert died 17 January 1923 and was buried at Riddrie, Glasgow. He had 7 children:

   (a) Helen Bennett Howie, who was born 7 April 1884 at 23 Pittencrieff St., Dunfermline, Fifeshire, Scotland; married Daniel Scott, telegrapher on the North British Railway; and had 2 children—Helen Zoe (born 1922) and Robert (born July 1924).

   (b) Robert Bremner, who was born 8 July 1887 (see Kate Livingston Taylor 1.5.2.1.).

   (c) Alexander Leitch, engineer, who was born 18 May 1889 at 17 Devon St., Glasgow, and married Sophia Philips, who was born 16 October 1889. From 19 December 1923 they resided in Melbourne, Australia. They had 3 children—

      i. Sophia McCartney, who was born 1 September

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a. Born 11 July 1856 at St. Andrews, Fifeshire, and died 26 July 1916 at Glasgow. She was daughter of Mr. Howie and Mary Bennett (born at Deanbridge, Edinburgh, 6 February 1826 and died 2 January 1895 at 45 McCausland St., Glasgow), who had 3 children:

(1) Alexander, who was born 8 June 1846 at St. Andrews, Fifeshire, and married Margaret Thaw. Alexander was a tailor and clothier in Greenock, where he died. He had 4 children: (a) Beatson, marine engineer; (b) David, engineer on a privately owned yacht, who died 12 February 1914; (c) Forbes, who succeeded to his father's tailoring establishment in Greenock; and (d) Daisy, who kept house for her brother Forbes.

(2) Ellen, who was born 2 June 1854 at St. Andrews, Fifeshire, married James Wilson, and had 3 children: (a) James, who was born 29 July 1886 at Glasgow, resided at Rothesay, Island of Bute, Scotland, (where he was postmaster), married Jessie Grey, and had one child; (b) Archibald John, merchant, who was born 21 June 1889 in Glasgow, married Mary ——, and had one child; and (c) Nellie.

(3) Mary Bennett, who married Robert Cumming (see above).

1909 at Glasgow, married 1 November 1933, at Melbourne, Walter James Brydges, refrigerator engineer (born 19 March 1909 in Outram, Victoria, Australia); and had William Walter (born 29 September and died 15 October 1934) and Walter Richard (born 16 January 1936).

ii. Robert Ross, who was born 7 September 1911 at Glasgow; married 5 March 1933, at Melbourne, Edna May Hallows; and had Faye Lesley (born 5 October 1934), Robert Alexander (born 18 November 1938), and Valerie Joan (born 21 March 1945).

iii. William Norman, woodworker, born 6 January 1914 at Glasgow, who married November 1947 Nora Snark at Fitzroy, Victoria, Australia.

(d) Edward Mitchell Erskine, C. M., medical doctor of Kelvinside, Glasgow, Fellow of the Royal Society of Physicians and Surgeons, who was born 13 April 1892 at Erskine Hall, Bishopton; married Rita Couper, also a medical doctor; and had 3 children—

i. Mary Couper, who was born 12 October 1926 at Glasgow. She received the degree of Bachelor of Science from the University of Glasgow, where (1948) she was a medical student.

ii. Margaret Lamont Howie, who was born 14 August 1929 at Glasgow.

iii. Robert Lamont Couper, who was born 7 November 1935 at Glasgow.

(e) Paul, electrician, who was born 8 April 1894 at Erskine Hall, Bishopton; resided at Glasgow; married Minnie Howat; and had 2 children—Robert Howat (born 7 September 1911) and George (born 6 January 1914).

(f) Mary Howie McArthur, who was born 16 April 1896 and married 9 September 1921 Richard Watt, mate on the Pacific and Oriental Steamship line, sailing to India. He died after an illness on board ship and in Hamburg, where he was buried. They had 4 children, all born at Glasgow—Sheila Mary Cumming (born 6 February 1923), Richard, Ian, and Daniel.

(g) Ruth, who was born 15 January 1899 at Erskine Hall, Bishopton; married George C. M. Stewart, freight clerk with the Caledonian Railway; and had 3 children—George, who was born in 1921 and was killed while serving with the Royal Air Force during World War II; Robert, who was born November 1923; and Edward Cumming.

6. Alexander, who was raised by his half-brother John of Inverness-shire.

7. William, carpenter, who resided at Greenock, Renfrewshire.

8. Lily, who was raised by her half-brother John of Inverness-shire. She married and had 2 children—Robert and William.

9. Johnnie, who was raised by his half-brother Simon and died in Edinburgh.

10. Jessie, who died and was buried beside her father at Ibrox, suburb of Glasgow.

11. Margaret (born posthumously), who married Duncan Munro of Renfrew, Renfrewshire, and had 3 children: Kate, who married Robert Guthrie, engineer, of Renfrew, and had Bertie and Mary; Andrew, professor in engineering at Brisbane University, Australia, who married twice; and Mary.

Source: Compilation made by Rev. Robert Bremner Cumming of Lucan, Middlesex county, Ont.

APPENDIX 4

EEDY FAMILY

LORNE ALDEN RICHARD EEDY (see Margaret Grace Evelyn Wilson 1.6.1.2.) was descended from Jonathan Eedy, a soldier in Cromwell's "Ironsides" army. By the Cromwellian settlement (1658) following Cromwell's conquest of Ireland, two-thirds of the land of Ireland was transferred to Cromwell's officers and men. Officers received the estates and their men settled on the estates as tenants for protection and to keep the Irish in subjection. Both Jonathan and his brother Nicholas, who was also a soldier in Cromwell's army, accordingly settled in Ireland. They came from Wales and were claimed to have been descended from a man named "Edrighe", who came to England with William the Conqueror.

Jonathan's brother Nicholas settled at Killvaree, near Clonakilty, County Cork, Ireland, on the estate of a Colonel Allen, who continued to live in England. Nicholas married Hannah Knowles and had four sons and several daughters. His sons were Nicholas, Jonathan, William, and Robert. Jonathan, son of Nicholas, married Rebecca Wolfe, from west of Dunmanway, County Cork, Ireland. From him descended William Eedy of Saroo, who was born in 1765, and married Susan Hill, daughter of David Hill "of the same plowland." In 1828, at the age of 63, William and his family went to Canada. He died in 1839, and Susan died in 1857. Both were buried in Christ churchyard at Bathurst, N. B. They had five daughters and one son, William, who was born in 1815. William resided at Clifton, Gloucester county, N. B. He married his cousin Susan Hill. They had 10 children, of whom four sons and three daughters were living in 1877. The sons were William, David, Horace, and Thomas. Of these, William was a carpenter in St. John, N. B., in 1877.

Jonathan Eedy, brother of Nicholas Eedy above, settled at Killdee, County Cork, Ireland, on the estate of Sir Michael Cox. From him descends John Eedy, pioneer of the Eedy family in Ontario.

First generation in Ontario

John, son of Charles Eedy, was born about 1785 and married, in Ireland, a daughter of Richard Tanner, "a fine, honest farmer" of Carriga Yreanan (in English: Sunny Rock), County Cork, Ireland. John Eedy with his wife and family went to Canada about 1844. His eldest son was Edward, whose daughter Victoria married John R. Campbell of Kelowna, B. C., and died in 1947. His second son was Richard.

Second generation in Ontario

Richard Eedy was born in 1815 at Skibbereen, County Cork, Ireland, near Bantry Bay. He went to Canada with his parents about 1844. He died in 1889 in London township, Middlesex county, Ont., as the result of being kicked by a horse. His wife was Ellen Wolfe, who was born in 1833 in County Cork, Ireland. She died in 1911 near Granton, Middlesex county, Ont. They had a son, John Wolfe Eedy.

Third generation in Ontario

John Wolfe Eedy was born 26 November 1854 near Granton, Middlesex county, Ont., and died 27 September 1932. He married Sarah Ellen Walden, daughter of Thomas Walden (who was born 6 May 1806 at Killashandra, County Cavan, Ireland, went to Canada about 1820, and died 28 April 1886 at Elginfield, Middlesex county, Ont.) and his 2nd wife, Mary Kennedy.

Mary Kennedy was daughter of Thomas Kennedy (1790-1866) and Mary Wilson, widow of Thomas Mulligan. Thomas Kennedy migrated from County Cavan, Ireland, to Southwold, Elgin county, Ont., in 1837. Mary was born in 1822 and died at Elginfield in 1904.

Sarah Ellen Walden was born 12 August 1857 and died 17 September 1922 at St. Mary's, Ont.

John Wolfe Eedy was a public school principal. He went into the newspaper business and, in 1899, owned a controlling interest in the *St. Thomas Daily Times.* He later became owner of *The St. Mary's Journal.* He had one daughter, Irene, who married Archibald Gillies and had no children; and one son, Lorne Alden Richard Eedy, born 10 July 1881 at Elginfield, Middlesex county, Ont., who married Margaret Grace Evelyn Wilson (1.6.1.2.).

Sources: Letters in possession of Grace (Wilson) Eedy (1.6.1.2.) of St. Mary's, Ont., from William Eedy, who was born in 1815 and resided in Clifton, Gloucester County, N. B.

APPENDIX 5

FAIRCHILD FAMILY

THE line of descent of Ellen Josephine Fairchild (see Franklin Jesse Taylor 1.7.1.) from Thomas Fairchild, who came from England to America about 1639, is as follows:

First generation in America

Thomas Fairchild came from Barnstaple, Devonshire, England, to America about 1639 and settled at Stratford, Conn. He was elected deputy to the General Court 1654 and 1664; was four times nominated for assistant governor; and served on various public committees. He was a merchant, and owned a home on what is now Elm Street, Bridgeport, Conn. He died 14 December 1670. Thomas married (1) about 1639, in England, Sarah, daughter of Robert Seabrook, by whom he had 8 children. He married (2) about 1662 Catherine Cragg, widow, and by her had 3 children. His first son by his first wife was Samuel.

Second generation in America

Samuel Fairchild, who was born in 1640, resided at Woodbury, Conn. He married Mary, daughter of Moses Wheeler, Sr., and had 4 children. His second son was Samuel.

Third generation in America

Samuel Fairchild was born in 1683. In 1705 he married (1) Ruth, daughter of John Beach, Jr., and by her had 7 children. Ruth died 30 January 1722. On 24 January 1723 at New Haven, Conn., Samuel married (2) Dinah Burwell of West Haven, Conn., and had 6 children. The 13 children were: Anna, who was born 12 October 1706 and died 9 February 1722; Mary, who was born 1708 and married Samuel Adams; Samuel, who was born 3 February 1710 and settled in Weston, Conn.; Ephraim, who was born 28 August 1713 and also settled in Weston; Abigail, who was born 15 December 1715; Eunice, who was born 20 May 1718 and died 21 April

1721; Benjamin, who was born March 1721 (see fourth generation below); Oliver, who was baptised June 1724; Stephen, who was baptised 1726; Peter, who was baptised 1729; Andrew, also baptised 1729; Josiah, who was baptised August 1732; Charles, who was baptised March 1736.

Fourth generation in America

Benjamin Fairchild[a] was born March 1721, youngest child of Samuel Fairchild by his first wife, Ruth Beach.

First generation in Canada

Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., served in the War of the American Revolution on the British side. His name was entered (as deceased) on the United Empire Loyalist List in Canada by Order-in-Council 18 June 1807, his death having occurred in 1794 or 1795. His wife's name was Melissa. Mr. Fairchild and his wife, with their family of 4 sons and 3 daughters, resided at Queensbury and Fort Edward in the Lake Champlain area of New York State previous to 1792, in which year they migrated to Ontario and settled on the Grand River near Brantford. The petition of his son for inclusion of his father's name on the United Empire Loyalist List stated: "He came into this Province in 1792 with his family consisting of an aged wife, Melissa, and 4 sons and 3 daughters." His 7 children were:

(1) Peter Fairchild, son of Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., was born in 1760 in the Province of New York. In 1777 he joined the British Army under General Burgoyne and remained in the Army until the capitulation, when he returned to his father's house, which was at that time within the British lines. In 1790 he resided in Queensbury township, Washington county, N. Y., and in his family were 1 boy under 16 and 4 girls (see census records, National Archives, Washington, D. C.). He went to the Province of Ontario (then Upper Canada) in

a. It is assumed, following Timothy Marsh Fairchild in his *The Name and Family of Fairchild*, 1940, that this Benjamin Fairchild is the same Benjamin Fairchild who went from Queensbury, N. Y., to Ontario in 1792. The assumption encounters no inherent improbabilities.

1792 and settled in the township of Townsend, Norfolk county, about 3 miles northeast of Boston, in what became known as the Old Boston Settlement. His wife's name was Sarah Fuller. On 24 July 1793 Mr. Fairchild petitioned for Lot 12 on "Jones's land from Burlington Bay to the Grand River", and his petition was granted under Order-in-Council 18 April 1797. He took the oath of allegiance before Samuel Ryerse, justice of the peace, 27 April 1797. He was then 37 years old. (See Crown Land papers in Department of Public Records and Archives, Toronto, Ont.). He was the first pastor of the old Boston Baptist church in the township of Townsend and served from 1806 to 1820. He had 12 children:

1. Rebecca, who married Joseph Merrill of Charlotteville township, Norfolk county, Ont., and was granted land under Order-in-Council dated 28 May 1811.
2. Elizabeth, who married Jesse Smith of Charlotteville township, and was granted land under Order-in-Council dated 28 May 1811.
3. Benjamin, of Townsend township, who was granted land under Order-in-Council dated 16 July 1816 and who married Elizabeth Haviland who, as daughter of Loyalist John Haviland of Hallowell township, Prince Edward county, and Townsend township, Norfolk county, was granted land under Order-in-Council dated 16 July 1816.
4. Esther, who married John Haviland, Jr., son of John Haviland of Hallowell and Townsend. Both received land grants under Orders-in-Council dated 16 July 1816.
5. Mary, who married Abraham Nelles of Townsend township and received land under Order-in-Council dated 17 May 1820.
6. Sarah, who was born 26 March 1794, the first white child born in Townsend township, married Mr. Post, and received land under Order-in-Council dated 16 July 1816.
7. Abial, of Townsend township, who received land under Order-in-Council dated 31 October 1839.

8. Peter, Jr., of Townsend township, who received land under Order-in-Council dated 28 November 1839. He married and had 7 children: Alvin, Frank, John, Peter M., Alvira M., Sarah J., and Eliza V.
9. Cornelius, of Brantford, Ont., who received land under Order-in-Council dated 27 May 1848.
10. Israel.
11. Ruth.
12. Rolly, who married (1) Uriah Adams and (2) Capt. Abraham Nelles (1795-1879).

(2) Ruth Fairchild, daughter of Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., was born in the Province of New York in September 1763. She came into the Province of Ontario in 1792. As daughter of a United Empire Loyalist she received 200 acres of land in Ontario, her Order-in-Council being dated 18 April 1797. She was said to have been a woman of fine intelligence, great energy and courage. She married Daniel Springer (1763-1826), son of David Springer, United Empire Loyalist, and settled in Delaware township, Middlesex county, Ont. Daniel was taken prisoner by the Americans in the War of 1812 (see p. 184). Ruth died about 1856.

(3) Benjamin Fairchild, Jr., son of Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., and his wife, Melissa, was born in the Province of New York. When he was young, he was shooting deer with his brother Isaac when a party of Mohawk Indians appeared and carried him off to Canada, where they kept him captive for some time. At a later date his brother Isaac went to Canada to search for him and found him in the Niagara district. The brothers returned to their home in New York State but went back to the Province of Ontario in 1792 with their father and mother, two other brothers and three sisters.

Benjamin served as a volunteer and afterwards as a non-commissioned officer (corporal) in General Burgoyne's Royal Regiment of New York during the Revolutionary War, as stated in a petition signed at Newark

(Niagara-on-the-Lake) 12 August 1795. On 24 July 1793 he petitioned for and was granted Lot 23 on "Jones's land from Burlington Bay to the Grand River". His Order-in-Council, in which he was described as Indian interpreter of Niagara, was dated 18 April 1797.

In a petition dated 18 April 1797 he recited his services as a volunteer and afterwards as a non-commissioned officer, stated that he had drawn 400 acres of land, and prayed for a grant of Lots 26 and 27 in the 4th concession and Lots 26 and 27 in the 5th concession of the township of Ancaster, Wentworth county, Ont. This petition was endorsed: "The petitioner seems to have all the land he is entitled to. Any specific lots he may wish for as part of the lands granted he must apply to the Surveyor-General."

In a petition dated 17 April 1799 he asked for liberty to locate 500 acres of land which he stated he had bought from Squire McCoye on 20 September 1790.

Benjamin married (1) Mary, daughter of Peter Hare. On 13 July 1806 at Niagara he married (2) Margaret, daughter of Harmonus Van Alstine, widow of Mr. Muir. Among his children were:

1. Elizabeth, who was born in the township of Ancaster, married (1) Mr. Willson of Niagara and (2) John Bessey of Grantham, Lincoln county, Ont. She received a grant of land as daughter of a Loyalist under Order-in-Council dated 27 March 1813.
2. Margaret, who was baptised at Niagara as "from the Grand River" 6 March 1794, received land under Order-in-Council dated 27 March 1813, and married Henry Hoover of Townsend township, Norfolk county.
3. John Hare, of Thorold, Welland county, Ont., who was baptised at Niagara 18 August 1805 as "from the Grand River", and was granted land under Order-in-Council dated 22 May 1820.

(4) Isaac Fairchild (1769-1859), son of Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., married Lucy Kilbourne (see second generation below).

(5) Mary Fairchild, daughter of Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., was born in the Province of New York and went to Ontario in 1792. She received 200 acres of land as the daughter of a Loyalist under Order-in-Council dated 18 April 1797. She married John Myers of King township, York county, Ont.

(6) Joshua Fairchild, son of Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., was born in the Province of New York and went to Ontario in 1792. Described as of Townsend township, he received 200 acres of land as the son of a Loyalist under Order-in-Council dated 18 April 1797. His wife's name was Elizabeth.

(7) Deborah Fairchild, daughter of Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., was born in the Province of New York and went to Ontario in 1792. She received 200 acres of land as the daughter of a Loyalist under Order-in-Council dated 18 April 1797. She married Mordecai Sayles, who 24 July 1793 petitioned for and was granted Lot 30 on "Jones's land from Burlington Bay to the Grand River."

Second generation in Canada

Isaac Fairchild, son of Benjamin Fairchild, Sr., was born 1 November 1769 in the Province of New York. He went into the Province of Ontario in 1792 with his father and mother, 3 brothers and 3 sisters. He had previously visited Canada on a search for his brother Benjamin, who had been carried off from their home in New York State and kept captive by the Mohawk Indians. With his brother Benjamin, from whom he learned to speak the Indian language, he established a trading post on Fairchild's Creek in Brant county, where they traded with Chief Joseph Brant and his Mohawks. It is said of Isaac that "because of his bravery, integrity, and truthfulness he was much esteemed by Chief Joseph Brant, who made him an honorary chief and named him Hawkeye. He was 6 feet 2 in his stockings, as straight as an arrow, and with an eye like a hawk."

On 24 July 1793 Isaac petitioned for and received Lot 14 on "Jones's land from Burlington Bay to the Grand River", under Order-in-Council dated 3 July 1797. About 1797 Isaac married Lucy Kilbourne, daughter of Joseph Kilbourne, Jr., of Delaware township, Middlesex county, Ont. (See Appendix 9—Kilbourne Family). Isaac was the first settler in Brant county. He traded his farm there for one in the township of Townsend, Norfolk county, and still later moved to a farm 2 miles north of Oakland, Oakland township, Brant county, where he died 9 January 1859. He was buried in the family burying ground on the northeast corner of the farm. Isaac and Lucy had 15 children:

(1) Samuel, who was born 1 May 1798, married Eliza Robinson, and had 4 children: Hannah, who married James Baldwin; John, who married Mary Jane Gee; Miranda, who married John A. Monk; Mary Jane, who married William Scott.

(2) Timothy Marsh, who was born 25 November 1799, resided in Brant county, Ont., and died in 1884. His wife was Sarah Ann Miller, who died in 1863. They had 9 children:

1. Stephen (1825-1901), who married Charity McMichael, and had 5 children: R. Melvin, medical doctor; Harry, lawyer; Anna; May; and Charles, medical doctor.
2. Benjamin (1827-1893), who married Margaret F. Laird and resided near Morpeth, Kent county, Ont., where he died. They had four or more children.
3. Elvira, who married Mr. Hazleton, Baptist minister, and had a son, Fred, and a daughter, Anna.
4. Sarah (1831-1921), who married Abraham Kinnard of Brant county, Ont., and had 4 children.
5. Isaac (1832-1897), who married Martha Baker, resided in Johnson county, Iowa, and died in Kansas. They had 4 children.
6. Angelina, who married Garrett Terhune of the township of Brantford, Brant county, Ont.

7. Timothy (1837-1915), who married Joanna Smith (1841-1908), daughter of John and Anna Smith of Brant county, Ont., and had 5 children, all born in Brant county. Timothy and Joanna moved from Brant county to Johnson county, Iowa. Their children were: Henry William, who was born in 1863 and resided in Iowa; Mary Elvira, who was born in 1865, married William Hastings, and died in 1909; Timothy Marsh, author of *The Name and Family of Fairchild*, who was born in 1867 and resided in Iowa City, Iowa; James John, farmer of Johnson county, Iowa, who was born in 1868 and died in 1939; Stephen Francis, electrician of Johnson county, Iowa, who was born in 1870 and died in 1919.

8. Rebecca (1841-1913), who was blind as the result of an accident when she was 16, married Robert Laird (1827-1905), and resided in the township of Brantford, Brant county, Ont.

9. William (1844-1914), who married Caroline Secord (1848-1935), resided in Brantford township on his father's farm, and had 3 children: Herbert Wesley, William Howard, and Courtland Charles, civil engineer of Brantford, Ont.

(3) Asabel, who was born in 1801 and married (1) Miss Westbrook and (2) Eunice Matthew (see third generation below).

(4) Elvira, who was born 12 April 1803, married James Malcolm, and had 6 children: Sherman; Jeanette, who married Mr. Robinson; Sarah, who married Hamilton Smith; Isaac; Daniel; and James.

(5) Angelina, who married Mr. Westbrook and had 8 children: Esther, who married Thomas Perrin; Mary, who married William Cunningham; Haggai, who married Diantha Beebe; Charles, who married Ellen Sayles; Rebecca, who married (1) D. Graham and (2) Charles

Sayles; Julia, who married Solomon Sayles; Catherine, who married James McIntyre; Hiram T., who married Esther Hall; and Josephine, who married G. Taggert.

(6) Joseph, who resided in Wisconsin.

(7) Benjamin, who married Mary Westbrook, resided in Michigan, and had 6 children: Rebecca, who married Thomas Wheeler; Benjamin; Frank; Alma; Findley; and Asab.

(8) Mary, who was born 15 February 1810, married Malcolm Brown, and had 8 children: Matilda, who married P. McIntyre; Benjamin, who married Dorcas Slack; Neal, who married S. A. Diamond; Joseph Kilbourne and Samantha, both of whom died young; Marion, who married John Secord; Jennie, who married Henry Sayles; Elvira, who married Hampton Burtch.

(9) Mariah, who married Charles Chapin and had 2 children: Harriet, who married Robert Merritt; and Mary Ann, who married Alfred Church.

(10) Isaac, who married Ann Misener and removed to Michigan. They had 5 children: Lucy, who married Mr. Broad; Mary, who married James Hartt; Clara, who married Robert Moe; Joseph Kilbourne, who married Frances Barkley; and Phoebe, who resided, unmarried, at Lowell, Mich.

(11) Matilda, who married Lyman Chapin and had 6 children: Melissa, who married J. Sager; Elvira, who married Mr. Bates; Mary, who married D. Graham and resided in Illinois; Sarah, who married O. McAllister; Milton; and Smith, whose second wife was Isa Houlding.

(12) Francis, who died young.

(13) Francis Gore, who was born in 1820, married Jane Harris, and had 7 children: Melissa, who married Peter McEwen; Helen, who married H. S. Westbrook; James Harris, who married Alice M. Mann; Frank Alanson,

who married Mary Ida Baldwin; Isaac Ernest, who married Agnes Chalmers; Ruby Ann, who married W. G. Bell; and Elberta, who married D. S. Johnston.

(14) Millicent, who married George Roberts and had 6 children: Edgar, Margaret, Helen Jane, George, Lucy, and Benjamin.

(15) Sarah, who died young.

Third generation in Canada

Asabel Fairchild, son of Isaac Fairchild and Lucy Kilbourne, was born in 1801. He married (1) a granddaughter of Anthony Westbrook,[b] early settler on Fairchild's Creek. By this marriage he had 4 children. About 1834 Asabel married (2) Eunice Matthew, and by her had 7 children. Asabel and Eunice were Baptists. He was buried at Silver Hill, Charlotteville township, Norfolk county, Ont. His 11 children were:

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b. Anthony Westbrook migrated at the end of the Revolutionary War from New York State to Nova Scotia and thence to Ontario. His name is on the list of young settlers who received rations at Niagara 20 July 1784. His name is on the United Empire Loyalist List which is preserved in the Crown Lands Department at Toronto, Ont., as residing in the Home District and as having been on the Provision List at Niagara in 1786, with the notation "Indian Department, S. G. Foresters, a wife and 4 children". (See *The United Empire Loyalist Centennial Celebration 1784-1884.*) He received a Crown grant of 200 acres, Lot 44, Con. 2, Ancaster township, Wentworth county, Ont., 17 May 1802. Among his children were:

(1) John, who served as a Major in the War of 1812, married Elizabeth Gage and had 16 children. He received a Crown grant of 200 acres, Lot 43, Con. 2, Ancaster township, Wentworth county, 10 July 1801.

(2) Alexander, who moved to what is now Brantford, Ont., in 1817 and finally settled in Oakland, Brant county, Ont.

(3) Haggai, who settled at Oakland, Brant county.

(4) Andrew, who was born in 1771 in New York State. After the Revolutionary War he accompanied his parents to Nova Scotia and thence to Ontario. He settled on a large tract of land in Delaware township, Middlesex county. In the War of 1812 he was sympathetic with the cause of the Americans, taking the position that he had too much property at stake to oppose them. Under orders from General Brock, the British commander, he was seized, but he escaped to the American army at Sandwich. He was denounced as a traitor, and his property, said to include approximately 4,000 acres of land, was confiscated. In January 1814 he returned to Delaware at the head of a detachment of Michigan Rangers and destroyed his own house and other buildings, after which he retreated down the river to Detroit, taking with him his own family (he had 12

By his first wife

(1) Hiram, who became a pump maker (see fourth generation below).

(2) Isabel, who died young.

(3) James Kilbourne.

(4) Jane, who married Mr. Woodley and resided at Port Dover, Ont.

By his second wife

(5) Joseph, who was born about 1835.

(6) Orlando, who was born about 1839.

(7) Anna E., who was born about 1840.

(8) Christopher, who was born about 1844, became a carriage maker, and resided at Port Dover, Ont. He was a prisoner of the Confederates during the War Between the States. He married Annie Ryerse.

(9) Benjamin, who was born about 1846.

(10) Francis, who was born about 1848.

(11) Maria Elma, who was born about 1850 and was brought up in the home of her uncle, Timothy Fairchild. Elma learned to sing, and was locally known for her duets with an Indian boy who also was brought up in the home of Timothy Fairchild. She married David Hardy, a veteran of the War Between the States. They had 6 children: Charles, who married Alice ——, who died 30 June 1945 near Lowell, Mich.; Ernest, who married Hattie —— and lived at Grand Rapids, Mich.; Gordon; Benjamin, who married Violet ——, had one son, and resided at Brantford, Ont.; Annie, who married Mr. Myers and had one son, Chester, who resided at Lynwood, Calif.; and Edna, who married Fred Doran and resided at Toronto, Ont.

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children) and three prisoners, one of whom was Captain Daniel Springer (see p. 177 above). During the spring and summer of 1814 he organized raiding parties and returned to harass his former neighbors, burning mills, houses, and barns, and taking prisoners. For his services Mr. Westbrook received from Congress a grant of two sections of land in the township of Clay, St. Clair county, Mich. He also purchased other lands along the St. Clair River, and resided at "Baronial Hall" near Marine City, Mich.

Fourth generation in Canada

Hiram Fairchild, son of Asabel Fairchild and his first wife, Miss Westbrook, was born in Charlotteville township, Norfolk county, Ont. He was a pump maker at Port Dover, Norfolk county. He served as justice of the peace and as tax collector. He owned a hotel on the corner of St. Patrick and Market Streets in Port Dover, adjacent to the pump works. His daughter, Ellen Josephine, born in 1865, married Franklin Jesse Taylor (1.7.1.).

Sources include: Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.; Department of Public Records and Archives, Toronto, Ont.; *Pioneer Sketches of the Long Point Settlement,* 1898, by E. A. Owen; *The Name and Family of Fairchild,* 1940, by T. M. Fairchild; *The United Empire Loyalist Centennial Celebration 1784-1884; Westbrook Family in War of 1812* by Fred Coyne Hamil in *The Free Press,* London, Ont., 24 January and 7 February 1948; records in possession of Myron Westbrooke Taylor (1.7.1.1.).

APPENDIX 6

FRANKLIN FAMILY

ELIZABETH JANE FRANKLIN, wife of John Irvine McNiece (see Maria Wilson 1.6.6., note a), was great-granddaughter of Joseph Franklin, Sr., United Empire Loyalist, who was born about 1724 in England and came to America in 1757 with the 27th Regiment of the British Army. He was discharged in 1763 after 21 years of service. As a disbanded soldier (with the rank of sergeant) the British Government granted him 5 July 1765 two hundred acres of land on the west side of Lake Champlain near Crown Point. He cleared 15 acres, built a house, and acquired another house at Crown Point.

When the Revolutionary War broke out, he was offered a lieutenancy if he would join the revolutionists. Instead, he joined the forces of General Carleton in 1776, after the failure of the colonists' invasion of Canada, and served in the engineers' department. As a result he lost through confiscation his land, houses, and other property consisting of a horse and a mare, a bullock and heifer, furniture, farming utensils, and some hay. In 1782 he was living at Carleton Island (in the St. Lawrence River opposite Kingston). He was in Government employment in 1783. Listed as a Loyalist, his name was on the "provision list"[a] at Kingston in 1786. On 27 February 1788, as a resident of Carleton Island, he filed a claim with the British Government for losses in the sum of £80 sterling by reason of his loyalty to the Crown. In this claim he stated that he had filed a previous claim with Stephen DeLancey in 1784 (deposited in the Public Record office in London, Eng.; amount £113, allowed at £90). His claim setting forth his £80 losses

a. Provision lists were lists containing names of immigrants receiving food from the Government as emergency relief. Most of the recipients were incoming Loyalists and ex-soldiers from the British Army, and their families.

was attested by Dr. Thomas Sparham, who added under oath "Joseph Franklin is a very honest man." He had a son whom he named after himself—Joseph.

Joseph Franklin, Jr., (ca. 1765-ca. 1830) was born probably at Crown Point, N. Y., after his father was separated from the British Army. He was too young to have served in the Revolutionary War, but was on Carleton Island in 1782 and, about 1786, as son of a Loyalist, received 400 acres of land in the township of Pittsburgh, Frontenac county, Ont., 8 miles east of Kingston. Here he built a log cabin and cleared the land. He had married a short time before.

One of the sons of Joseph Franklin, Jr., became a blacksmith, married, resided at Cobourg, Ont., and had two daughters and a son. His wife died when the children were quite young, and soon afterwards he himself died, of blood poisoning. The children were taken by relatives. Elizabeth Jane, born in 1824, one of the three children, was raised in the home of her grandfather, Joseph Franklin, Jr.

Joseph Franklin, Jr., died before the Rebellion of 1837. There were five daughters and one son, William, living when his wife died, and the Franklin property was divided among the heirs. Elizabeth Jane,[b] granddaughter of Joseph Franklin, Jr., married John Irvine McNiece (see Maria Wilson 1.6.6., note a).

Sources: The United Empire Loyalists Centennial Celebration 1784-1884; *Second Report of Bureau of Archives for Province of Ontario,* 1904; Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.

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b. The following account of her recollections while in the home of her grandparents was written by Elizabeth Jane (Franklin) McNiece about the year 1910 for *Rod & Gun:*

"My grandfather with his young wife settled anew in the township of Pittsburgh. The Government gave each family 400 acres of land, a year's provisions, also seed and a supply of implements. By the year 1800 they were raising enough for their own wants and a surplus which enabled them to aid new arrivals.

"In early days there was a grist mill at Gananoque and one day my grandfather made the ten-mile journey through the woods to the mill. There was a blazed trail but the journey was slow and necessitated being away from home one night. My grandmother with her young children was left alone and naturally felt very apprehensive over possible visits of wild animals. What she feared happened. There was a rain trough outside, and about ten o'clock at night grandmother glanced up and saw a bear on this trough looking through the window. Although much frightened, she did not lose her head. Grandfather had taken the gun with him, but the fire was replenished and the axe, the most dependable weapon of pioneer times, set in a handy place in case of necessity. After a time the bear took his departure, having apparently satisfied himself that the preparations he saw in progress betokened a warmer reception

than he thought desirable. Probably he went off to plunder some neighbor's pig sty, for all bears dearly love pork. Notwithstanding the departure of the bear, Grandmother's vigil continued all night and it was only when morning dawned that she permitted her vigilance to relax.

"When the Rideau Canal was built many of the towns in Pittsburgh township were flooded. In the severe winter frosts, the canal, with all this overflowed land, was solidly frozen over, making a fine winter highway for the wolves. Always a great pest, the wolves grew bolder when such a good gathering ground was made for them. I remember one afternoon when three wolves killed three of my grandfather's sheep in a field not far from the house. My grandmother cried badly over this loss and I joined her in her lamentations.

"Deer were very plentiful in those days and my people would secure hundreds of them in a season. Venison is salted and cured in the same way as pork is cured. It was then packed in barrels and shipped to Montreal, by sleighs in winter time and by boats through the Rideau Canal when navigation was open. I well remember seeing a large log building full of deer from the floor to the rafters, all ready to be dressed and cured for shipment to the eastern market. Home tanneries were the rule in those days, though only a few were sufficiently expert to make buckskin suitable for really fine articles of wearing apparel.

"During the trying times of 1837 and '38 I was a girl of 13 and lived with my grandmother on her farm east of Kingston, my grandfather having died some years before. The house was an extra good one for those days, being a large frame structure with a good hall running through the centre. Four big square rooms opened from the hall and at the back was an immense farm kitchen where the housework of the 400-acre farm was carried on. In winter the house was kept warm and comfortable by four large fireplaces and two cast iron double heaters, all burning four-foot wood, the chunks often being as large as three or four men could handle. The military authorities finding such large and convenient quarters took possession of the house and used it as a base of supplies and as a military post. Similar posts extended from Montreal to Toronto and no doubt in many other directions. They were about ten miles apart and each under the command of an officer and company of soldiers. Despatches and other communications were passed from post to post and there was plenty of life at each post which rose to fever heat when a despatch bearer was robbed and sometimes killed.

"My grandmother was threatened in various ways, these threats generally taking the form of promises to burn her buildings. As a result an extra company was stationed at the house and a sentry constantly on the watch to prevent molestation.

"The first winter of the Rebellion the St. Lawrence never froze over. During a residence near its banks extending over half a century, my people could not remember such an unusual occurrence. Generally we had six weeks of sleighing before New Year's, then a January thaw, and six further weeks of a freeze-up. The open winter gave a number of advantages to those in opposition. Naturally all this excitement was not unpleasant to a young girl, and I assisted my grandmother in many little attentions to the soldiers. These duties consisted in using the needle, frequently writing letters for them, and administering simple remedies for minor injuries and colds. There was much coming and going and the men appeared to enjoy deeply the rest when they were allowed to remain at our house over night. Once we had a cavalry company stopping with us and to my youthful eyes they looked fine with their gleaming sabres flashing in the sunshine, neatly fitting clothes and mounted as they were on prancing horses. About one hundred pounds of meat—beef, pork, mutton or venison—would be needed daily with all these extra men with us.

"I can well remember the time when Von Schultz, leading a band of Yankees, crossed the River and took possession of a mill near Prescott. The skirmish was a stubborn one and some of the men who lost their lives on our side were amongst those

who had made our house their headquarters for a time. Great excitement prevailed at our house during the encounter, the despatch bearers coming and going with foaming horses. Prescott was only 40 miles from our place, and the orders were to rush forward every available man. That engagement took place 16 November 1838. Soon after that date peace was restored and calmness succeeded the blustering scenes.

"Ten years afterwards what was known as the 'emigrant fever' broke out. The disease was brought to Canada by those who had undergone severe hardships while crossing the Atlantic. It proved difficult to fight as the continual army of New-comers added fresh fuel to the flames.

"Later on the cholera broke out and many sad scenes resulted. Families were decimated, and mine suffered with the rest.

"In old days, everyone rode on horseback, an exhilarating exercise that gave great enjoyment to its participants. I owned a fine English hunting saddle of which I was very proud. I attended many funerals on horseback and often thirty or forty people would attend, similarly mounted."

APPENDIX 7

GEE FAMILY

CHARLES GEE of Norfolk county, Ont., (see Jane Taylor 1.8.) was son of John Gee. Members of the Canadian branch are of the belief that the family is of Welsh ancestry and that the name was originally spelled "Ghee". Burke's *Commoners of Great Britain* lists the family as one of the most ancient in Yorkshire. Johnson's *The Place Names of England and Wales* makes reference to a village called "Gee Cross", in the parish of Stockport, Cheshire, where a cross was erected in ancient days by the Gee family. (See *The Gee Family of Union County, S. C.*, 1935, by Wilson Gee).

John Gee married Hannah Evidon and resided in New York State, probably in Jefferson county. They appear to have moved to Wolfe Island (in the St. Lawrence River opposite Kingston, Ont.), where, until about 1870, they lived on the 7th concession.[a] They had 10 children:

(1) Merritt.
(2) Louvilla.
(3) John.
(4) Laura Ann, who was born 20 January 1818 in New York State. When her parents objected to her proposed marriage with Joseph Smith, a man 20 years her senior, who was born 15 March 1798 in New York State, she and Joseph went from New York State across the St. Lawrence River on the ice to Canada 11 January 1834 and married. Both died at Lind, Waupaca county, Wisc., Laura Ann on 12 December 1858 and Joseph on 18 February 1877. They had 4 children:

a. While old residents on Wolfe Island remember a farm on the 7th concession being referred to as the "Gee farm", the registrar of deeds for Frontenac county, in which Wolfe Island lies, has no record of land on Wolfe Island having been held by anyone of that name. The assumption is that their land was leased and the lease was not registered, as was true in many cases. All of Wolfe Island was granted by the Crown to one family about 1800 and much of it is still (1948) in possession of descendants of that family.

1. Jeremiah Wise Smith, who was born in Canada West (now Ontario) 4 May 1835 and died 8 July 1917 at Tillsonburg, Ont. On 16 June 1856 he married Catherine Armstrong, who was born 13 March 1838 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont., daughter of Squire Lawrence Armstrong (see Jesse Taylor 1.7., note a), and died 24 November 1909 at South Middleton, Norfolk county, Ont. They had 8 children:

   (a) William Arthur, who was born 24 July 1857 at South Middleton and died 17 December 1875.

   (b) Charles Wilmot, who was born 26 June 1860 and died 20 March 1865.

   (c) George Oscar, farmer, who was born 25 July 1862 at South Middleton, and died unmarried 10 June 1893.

   (d) Ella, who was born 8 December 1864 at South Middleton and died 13 January 1918. She married Thaddeus Ghent Fisher,[b] farmer of North Walsingham township, Norfolk county, who was born 30 June 1862. From 1914 they resided at Tillsonburg, Ont. They had 8 children—

      i. Harold Wilfred, who was born 21 September 1885 and died 11 September 1886.

      ii. Andrew Cecil, who was born 11 April 1889. He was a blacksmith, and resided at Tillsonburg, Ont. He was not married.

      iii. Hester Catherine, who was born in May 1891 and died the day following her birth.

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b. Thaddeus Ghent Fisher was a descendant of Adam Fisher, French Hugenot, who, after the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes by King Louis XIV of France in 1685, fled from France and settled in Freinsheim in the Palatinate district of Germany, on the west side of the Rhine River. Adam's son Jacob migrated in 1726 to America, settling in Upper Philadelphia county (now Montgomery), Pa. Jacob's great-grandson, Herman, who was born 15 November 1771, went to Canada in 1799 and settled near Vineland in Clinton township, Lincoln county, Ont., where he died in 1825. Thaddeus Ghent Fisher was great-grandson of Herman. (From records in possession of Myrtle Rosabelle (Fisher) Addison of Otterville, Ont.).

iv. Charles Clayton, who was born 28 August 1892. During World War I he served 2 years with the 47th Battalion of the Canadian Army. On 12 July 1919 in England he married Annie May Earp of Thornton Heath, Surrey, who was born 25 June 1894. He was a brakeman on the New York Central Railroad. They resided at Windsor, Ont., and had: Donald Thaddeus, who was born 28 March 1920, served in World War II, and 16 March 1944 married Grace Audrey Rowlandson, by whom he had Donna Mae, who was born 8 April 1945, and Paul Stewart, who was born 12 September 1946; Iris Kathleen, who was born 5 April 1923 and on 7 November 1939 married Henry Moore, from whom she was divorced in 1945 and by whom she had Charles Clayton, who was born 16 October 1940, and Kathleen Anne, who was born 31 October 1941; and Beverley Mae, who was born 22 June 1926 and married 28 September 1946 John R. Cathrine.

v. Amy Belva, who was born 24 September 1895. On 14 February 1917 she married Earl C. Fugard, who was born 4 August 1890. They resided at Ingersoll, Ont., and had 2 children: Doris Ella, who was born 7 June 1922, married 11 April 1942 James Henry Maxwell Kerr, who served in World War II and was reported missing 11 March 1943; and Marion Joyce, who was born 18 September 1930.

vi. Clara Ethel, who was born 26 June 1898. On 21 June 1932 she married Russell George Cooper, garage owner, who was born 1 July 1892. They resided at Tillsonburg, Ont., and had 3 children: Muriel Joan and Margaret Jean, twins, who were born 19 July 1933; and Charles Robert, who was born 13 May 1935 and died the same day.

vii. Myrtle Rosabelle, who was born 12 November 1900. On 20 September 1922 she married Wilfrid Lawrence Addison, furniture merchant and undertaker, who was born 4 June 1901. They resided at Otterville, Oxford county, Ont., and had 4 children: *i.* Donald Wilfrid, who was born 24 July 1923, served in World War II, married 2 February 1946 Velma Harriet Eakett (born 27 September 1926), resided at Brantford, Ont., and had Linda May, who was born 21 December 1946; *ii.* Douglas Gordon, who was born 24 July 1923, twin of Donald, served in World War II, was reported missing 18 November 1943, and was buried 21 November 1943 in Old Hohensuelzen cemetery, Germany; *iii.* Maurice, who was born 23 August 1925 and died the same day; and *iv.* Richard Paul Fisher, who was born 25 December 1928.

viii. Stanley Byron, who was born 17 April 1908, married 4 December 1929 Mrs. Ethel Kipp, and resided at Vienna, Elgin county, Ont.

(e) Clara, who was born 10 June 1867 at South Middleton and died 24 December 1928. On 18 April 1900 she married Frank Ellsworth, farmer of Straffordville, Elgin county, Ont., and had one son, Harry Norman, who was born 9 March 1902, married Hazel Hurn, and resided at Brantford, Ont. He had 2 children: Laurene and Stephen.

(f) Joseph Emerson, who was born 11 September 1869 at South Middleton. He farmed in Middleton township. On 18 October 1893 at Courtland, Norfolk county, he married Mabel Taylor, who was born 28 November 1874, daughter of Asa Taylor of Lynedoch, Norfolk county. In 1948 Mr. and Mrs. Smith resided at Harrietsville, Middlesex county, Ont. They had one son, George Warren, who was born 28 July 1894. He was a baggage-

man on the Canadian National Railway. He married Beatrice Scott and resided at London, Ont. They had no children.

(g) Frank Byron, a tailor, who was born 10 May 1873 in Middleton township and died unmarried 4 May 1908.

(h) Albert, high-school teacher, who was born 28 January 1879 at South Middleton and died 6 July 1941. He resided at Rockwood, Wellington county, and at Grand Valley, Dufferin county, Ont. He married Rosina Bertram and had 3 children, Bertram, Donald, and William, all married and residents of Grand Valley.

2. Charles W., who was born 17 December 1839 in Canada West (now Ontario) and died 10 August 1868 at Lind, Wisc. He married and had 2 children, LeRoy and Louella.

3. Joseph Emerson, who was born 6 April 1847 at Long Island, Ont., (see note b, p. 145) and died 31 August 1938 at Aylmer, Ont. He fought on the Northern side in the War between the States. On 15 April 1867 he married Sarah Ann Brooks, who was born in Indiana 9 March 1848 and died 7 August 1989 at Redwood Falls, Minn. He married (2) in Ontario 4 October 1901 Sarah Susanna Bonser, who was born 29 March 1863 and died 23 July 1948 at Aylmer, Ont. Joseph Emerson had 2 children:

By his first wife

(a) Lydia Laura, who was born at Lone Tree Lake, Minn., 31 December 1882 and married 23 August 1910 Frank Fletcher Holt, who was born at Fulton, Ill. He was a farmer and a salesman for farm machinery. They resided at Coronation, Alta., where 3 of their 5 children were born, and in 1917 removed to Sunnyside, Wash. Their 5 children were:

i. Roy Emerson, who was born 22 May 1911 at Coronation, Alta., and married 3 July 1935 Genevieve Gwin. They resided at Sunnyside, Wash. They had 4 children—*i.* a daughter "Billie", who was born 31 August 1936; *ii.* Larry, who was born (a twin) 4 June 1938 and died 27 August 1938; *iii.* Jerry, twin of Larry, who was born 4 June 1938; and *iv.* Donna Ray, who was born 6 September 1939.

ii. Lillian Ruth, who was born 10 April 1913 at Coronation, Alta., and married 11 May 1932 Orville Partch. They had 3 children—Norma Ruth, who was born 18 September 1933 at Sunnyside, Wash.; Betty Genevieve, who was born 16 July 1935 at Sunnyside, Wash.; and William, who was born 11 June 1937 at Kennewick, Wash.

iii. Bruce Robert, who was born 4 June 1915 at Coronation, Alta., and married 30 July 1936 Juerita Baze. They had 2 children—Robert, who was born 5 May 1937 at Sunnyside, Wash., and Beverly Ann, who was born 11 December 1940 at Yakima, Wash.

iv. Grace Evelyn, who was born 30 May 1918 at Sunnyside, Wash., and married 27 October 1934 Edward Steringer. They had 3 children—Valeta, who was born 6 November 1935 at Sunnyside, Wash.; Vivian, who was born 1 August 1937 at Hermiston, Oreg.; and Bruce Edward, who was born 9 January 1939 at Seaside, Oreg.

v. Howard Henry, who was born 16 November 1921 at Sunnyside, Wash., married 21 October 1940, at Spokane, Wash., Helena Johnson, and had a son, John, who was born 1 November 1941 at Spokane.

By his second wife

(b) Myrtle Ena, who was born 14 June 1904 at Aylmer, Ont., where she was residing in 1948.

4. Ira Christopher, who was born 16 January 1852 in Canada West (now Ontario) and died 7 December 1930 at The Dalles, Oreg. On 24 April 1878, at Weyauwega, Waupaca county, Wisc., he married Mary Ellen Mead, who was born 3 December 1853 in Orange county, N. Y., daughter of Henry and Sarah (Clark) Mead. He was a farmer and apiarist. They resided, successively, at Lind, Wisc., at Lone Tree Lake, Minn., at Kalispell, Mont., at Dundee, Oreg., and at The Dalles, Oreg. They had 3 children:

   (a) May, who was born 10 August 1879 at Lind, Wisc. In 1948 she was doing settlement work in the Peniel mission in Seattle, Wash., and resided at 817 East 64th Street, Seattle.

   (b) Clark M., who was born 3 July 1886 at Lone Tree Lake, Minn., and married 27 January 1910 at Kalispell, Mont., Esther Monette, who was born 15 June 1890, daughter of George B. and Rachel (Scott) Monette. They resided at Asotin, Wash., where (1948) Mr. Smith was pastor of the Methodist church. They had 8 children:

      i. Earl Melvin, who was born 29 March 1911 at Dundee, Oreg., and died 4 November 1937. In March 1935 he married Ethel Jones. They had 2 children, Roy and Jannette.

      ii. Eva May, who was born 9 July 1913 at Kalispell, Mont., and married in June 1939 Russell Strong. They had 2 children, Phyllis Jean and Laurel Frances.

      iii. Ellen Rachel, who was born 18 August 1915 at Kalispell, Mont. She married Albert Heidenrick.

      iv. Ellsworth Donald, who was born 14 March 1918 at Kalispell, Mont.

      v. Ralph Martin, who was born 15 November 1919 at The Dalles, Oreg.

vi. Merle Clifford, who was born 25 April 1921 at The Dalles, Oreg. He was an electrician. In January 1943 he married Anne Marie —— and had a son, Donald.

vii. Howard Robert, who was born 22 May 1924 at The Dalles, Oreg.

viii. George Ira, who was born 26 January 1930 at The Dalles, Oreg.

(c) Ralph B., who was born 18 July 1891 at Lone Tree Lake, Minn. On 28 January 1914 at Big Fork, Mont., he married Edith Hopkins, who was born 12 October 1891, daughter of Howard and Alice Hopkins. In 1948 they resided at Spokane, Wash., where for several years he had been employed in a large paper mill. They had 3 children—*i.* Arthur LeRoy, who was born 14 January 1915 at Dundee, Oreg.; *ii.* Lester Ralph, who was born 29 October 1916 at Dundee, Oreg., married in July 1936 Opal Renner, and had Beverly Jean, Donald Eugene, and Karen Lee; and *iii.* Alice Irene, who was born 10 January 1919 at Kalispell, Mont., married in March 1938 Marvin Anderson, and had a daughter, Georgia Irene.

(5) Harriet, who married Mr. Davis and lived on Wolfe Island, Ont.

(6) Maria, who was born in New York State 8 April 1822 and died in 1906. She married Benjamin Daniels. They farmed in Lincoln county, Wisc., and resided in their later years with their son, Brayton. Both were buried at Merrill, Lincoln county, Wisc. They had 4 children:

1. Julia, who married (1) Mr. Forward and (2) Isaac Fowler. Julia had 3 sons: (a) Frank Forward, who married and had 6 children; (b) Elmer Forward, who married and had 4 children; and (c) Judson Fowler, who married and had children, among whom were Gladys, Lavilla, Agnes, and Gordon.

2. Lavilla, who married Mr. Vroman and had (a) Leona, who married Lester Barr and had a daughter, and (b) John.
3. Lettie, who married Charles Hollister and had 2 children: (a) Grace, who married (1) Ammon Barr, by whom she had a son, Ralph, and married (2) William Page, by whom she had 4 children; (b) John, who married and had a daughter.
4. Brayton, who died in February 1931. His wife's name was Minnie. They had 4 children: (a) William, who married and had 9 children; (b) Julia, who married Martin Emerich, who died 3 February 1946, leaving no children; (c) Etta, who married Jack Bentz, resided at Appleton, Wisc., and had Bernice and Raymond; and (d) Ruth, who was born about 1906, married Claude Rentfrow, and resided at 503 North 17th Street, Richmond, Ind.

(7) Charles, who was born in 1823 and died in 1899 (see Jane Taylor 1.8.).

(8) Harvey.

(9) Mary, who married —— Vallieo, and resided in South Dakota.

(10) Olive Jane, who was born in New York State 7 July 1828 and married Arnold Sluman. They resided first at Cape Vincent, Jefferson county, N. Y. (opposite Wolfe Island), and later moved to Vancouver, Wash. They had 10 children: (a) Euretta, who was born 1848 and married Sherman Abbott; (b) Hannah Mary, who was born 1850, married Thomas Wilkie Pike, and had 4 children—*i.* Venton, *ii.* Eva Edna, who married (1) William H. Conner of Kingston, Ont., and (2) Charles Malm and resided (1948) at Vancouver, Wash., *iii.* Edith, who married Walter Martin Fisher, and *iv.* Clemena, who married Ross Calvin Parker; (c) Venton, who married Lissa Firestone; (d) Fannie, who married Albert Dunlop; (e) Ida, who married Adam Scott and

had 7 children; (f) Laura; (g) Emma, who married Miles Grimshaw and had Oriole, Lloyd, and Frances; (h) William, who married Elsie Stearns; (i) Maud, who resided (1948) at Vancouver, Wash.; and (j) Fred, who married Carrie Pike.

Sources include: Commoners of Great Britain, by Burke, Vol. II; *The Gee Family of Union County, S. C.*, 1935, by Wilson Gee; Land registry records, Kingston, Frontenac county, Ont.

APPENDIX 8

HAZEN FAMILY

EUGENE HAZEN (see Almira Louks 1.3.7., note a) was descended from Edward Hazen of Rowley, Mass., as follows:

First generation in America

Edward Hazen (1614-1683) came to America from Northamptonshire, England, about 1638, and was in Rowley, Mass., in 1649, when his wife Elizabeth died. He married (2) Hannah Grant. The inventory of Mr. Hazen's estate amounted to £404.7s.6d. By his second wife he had 11 children, the fourth being Thomas.

Second generation in America

Thomas Hazen (1657/8-1735) was born at Rowley, Mass., and resided in Norwich, Conn., where he died. He married 1682/3 Mary Howlett, by whom he had 11 children, one of whom was John.

Third generation in America

John Hazen (1687/8-1772) was born at Boxford, Mass., married (1) Mercy Bradstreet, by whom he had 7 children, and married (2) 31 May 1726 Elizabeth (Dart ?), by whom he had 5 children. His seventh child was Daniel.

Fourth generation in America

Daniel Hazen (1724-1788) moved to New Jersey in 1767 and died at Independence, N. J., in 1788. He had sons: William of New Brunswick; Caleb of Woodhouse township, Norfolk county, Ont.; and Daniel.

First generation in Canada

Daniel Hazen was born 10 August 1755 in Sussex county, N. J. In the War of the American Revolution he was loyal to the British Crown and served as a sergeant in the Jersey Volunteers, in Barlow's Regiment. In 1780 he married Anna Ward. In 1783, after the war was over, they took refuge in New

Brunswick. He took his family to the Niagara District in the general exodus of Loyalist families from New Brunswick to Upper Canada. Daniel was a surveyor by profession. In 1796 he was sent, with another surveyor, to survey the township of Charlotteville, Norfolk county, Ont. In the same year he began a survey of Walsingham, Norfolk county, which he finished in the winter of 1797-98. With this opportunity to look over the land, he chose, under his right as a United Empire Loyalist, 200 acres on the 5th concession of Walsingham. This area became known as the "Hazen Settlement".

Mr. Hazen and his wife were Methodists, and customarily walked 17 miles from the Hazen home to attend Methodist church services in the township of Woodhouse. He went regularly, and she four times a year to the quarterly meetings. He died on his farm in the Hazen Settlement 29 November 1845 and was buried in the Hazen cemetery on the 5th concession. He had 9 children, each of whom, with the exception of Charlotte, who probably died young, received 200 acres of land from the Government as son or daughter of a Loyalist. The children were: (1) Lydia, who was born in 1783; (2) Daniel, who was born in 1784; (3) William, who was born in 1786; (4) John; (5) Rachel, who was born in 1791; (6) Charlotte, who was born in 1793; (7) Caleb; (8) Elijah (see below); and (9) Jacob, who was born in 1799.

Second generation in Canada

Elijah Hazen was born 12 July 1797 at Black Creek, Welland county, Ont. He received 200 acres of land as son of a Loyalist under Order-in-Council dated 12 August 1818. For several years he carried the mail, by horse and buggy, from Port Rowan to Vittoria and return, once each week, the pay being 75 cents a week. He married Mary, daughter of Major George Neal, United Empire Loyalist, who is said to have preached the first Methodist sermon in Upper Canada, in 1786 at Queenston, and may be the man carried on the Loyalist List as George Neil, who served during the Revolutionary War in the Loyal Militia of South Carolina and bore arms at 66. Elijah died 30 March 1857. He had 11 children, the eldest of whom was John Wesley.

Third generation in Canada

John Wesley Hazen was born 18 June 1819 in Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont., and died about 1880. He was buried in the Hazen cemetery on the 5th concession of Walsingham. By his wife, Mercy Culver, of Woodhouse township, Norfolk county, he had 2 children: (1) Mary, who was born in 1852 and died in 1879; and (2) Eugene, who was born in 1854 and married Almira Louks (see Almira Louks 1.3.7.).

Sources: The Hazen Family, four American generations, 1879, by Henry Allen Hazen; *The Hazen Family in America,* by Tracy Elliot Hazen, Ph.D., 1947, pub. by Dr. Robert Hazen of Thomaston, Conn.; *New England Historical and Genealogical Register,* Vol. 33, pp. 229-236; *Pioneer Sketches of the Long Point Settlement,* 1898, by E. A. Owen.

APPENDIX 9

KILBOURNE FAMILY

JAMES HAMILTON KILBOURNE (see Martha Ethel Wilson 1.6.3.6.) was descended from Joseph Kilbourne, Jr., (1745-1817) who resided at Litchfield, Conn., until 1787, when he removed to Meshopping Creek, near Wilkes Barre, Pa. Two years later he removed to Geneva, N. Y., where he erected a number of mills. In 1794 he went to Canada, settled first at Niagara Falls and, one year later, became one of the earliest settlers of Delaware township, Middlesex county, Ont. There, with his sons, he established a grist mill[a] on the Thames River at Kilworth Bridge. He had children:

(1) Susannah, who was born at Litchfield, Conn., 4 July 1766.

(2) Timothy, who was born at Litchfield, Conn., 11 June 1768 and died in Delaware township. Among his children were: (a) Clarissa, who married John Robertson, died in 1871 at the age of 71 years, 10 months, and was buried in the Kilbourne cemetery at Kilworth Bridge; and (b) Harvey (1810-1879), who married Sarah Hunt (1818-1884), and was buried in the Kilbourne cemetery. During his lifetime Harvey ran the Kilbourne grist mill. Harvey had a son, Samuel D. Kilbourne (Dec. 9, 1849-Dec. 26, 1923), who married Ellen Mair. Ellen was born in Westminster township, Middlesex county, in 1856 and died 22 October 1943.

(3) Elizabeth, who was born at Litchfield, Conn., 4 June 1770 and died young.

(4) Aaron, who was born at Litchfield, Conn., 30 January 1773. In 1795 he married Hannah Woodhull of Long Island and soon after, with his father, brothers, and other

a. The site of the grist mill is now (1948) the Woodeden property, a hospital for crippled children.

members of the family, settled in Delaware township. Aaron stated that he and his brother Timothy sold their property in the United States for £500, and gave the following account of the region in which they settled: "The county of Middlesex was at that time a vast wilderness, inhabited by Indians who lived by fishing and the chase. Our new home was near the bank of the Thames about 140 miles west of Niagara Falls. There was not a blacksmith's shop or a mill within 60 miles of us, and the only road was an Indian warpath. There was but one white family in Delaware township when we arrived, Daniel and Ruth (Fairchild) Springer".

(5) Lucy Kilbourne, who was born about 1775 and married, about 1797, Isaac Fairchild, who was born 1 November 1769. They settled on Fairchild's Creek in Brant county but traded their farm for one in the township of Townsend in Norfolk county. They had 15 children. (See Appendix 5—Fairchild Family.)

Sources: The Name and Family of Fairchild, 1940, by T. M. Fairchild; *Pioneer Sketches of the Long Point Settlement,* 1898, by E. A. Owen.

APPENDIX IO

McMICHAEL FAMILY

MARY ANN BACKHOUSE (see John Taylor 1.4.) was daughter of William and Hannah (McMichael) Backhouse. Hannah was born in 1788, daughter of Edward McMichael and his wife, Elizabeth McAllister.

Edward McMichael was born in Newton, Sussex county, N. J. When the Revolutionary War broke out, he was a prosperous merchant in Philadelphia. He had the rank of lieutenant in the patriot army, but in August 1776 he deserted to the British. He is said by Mr. Owen to have lost the sight of one eye at the Battle of Trenton (December 1776-January 1777). In March of 1777 he was sent out of Philadelphia by Sir William Howe, accompanied by two British sergeants, into the county "as on private business" and remained there two months. He served as a lieutenant in the quartermaster-general's department in the Loyalist corps of Guides and Pioneers commanded by Colonel Beverly Robinson. On 24 June 1779 he was put on half pay, along with five other officers. He appears to have resumed active service later since, according to Mr. Owen, he was a prisoner of war at the time of the Yorktown surrender on 19 October 1781.

After the peace Mr. McMichael was one of sixty-two persons whom the Legislature of Pennsylvania ordered to stand trial for treason or stand attainted. He chose not to stand trial and was accordingly attainted and his property was confiscated. He left for Canada in the spring of 1788.

Mr. McMichael had married Elizabeth McAllister of Philadelphia[a] and by the spring of 1788 had five children.

a. Mr. Owen states that Elizabeth was a member of an influential family of that name in Philadelphia. An interesting, if true, account of the circumstances surrounding the meeting of Edward McMichael and Elizabeth McAllister is recorded in a letter from Miss Dora McMichael of Waterford, Ont., dated at Waterford January 1897, to her cousin Dr. George McMichael of Buffalo, N. Y. The following extract from the letter is filed under the name McMichael among cards relating to early settlers in Ontario in the Department of Public Records and Archives, Toronto, Ont.:

"Capt. Edward McMichael, a young man who came over with the British Army

One child appears to have been left in Philadelphia. Another was sent in advance with the family of Captain Frye. The family made the journey on horseback with an Indian guide. Mrs. McMichael carried the youngest child, Hannah, in her arms, and two other children rode in baskets on either side of the horse.

On the way the mother was taken seriously ill. A squaw took them in and made them as comfortable as she could. Mrs. McMichael, thinking that she was about to die, was giving the baby to the squaw when Capt. McMichael came in. "No", he said, "we'll have to carry on; we can't give the baby up". The mother recovered and the party continued on to Niagara. The baby, Hannah McMichael, grew up and married William Backhouse, and had 17 children of her own. The 17th, Matilda (Backhouse) Foster, telling the story in later years to her own daughter, would conclude by saying: "And now, my dear, you see how near you came to being a papoose!"

The McMichael family crossed the Niagara River in August and remained in the Niagara settlement until 1794, when they removed to Long Point and settled on Lot 14 on the Lake front of Walsingham township, a little west of Port Rowan. His petition for family lands was dated at Newark (Niagara-on-the-Lake) 16 July 1797. In it Capt. McMichael stated that he had come into the Province in the fall of 1788 (not 1787, as stated by Mr. Owen in *Pioneer Sketches of the Long Point Settlement,* 1898) with his wife and 5 children. Elizabeth petitioned for land 11 June 1798 and received 200

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and was a captain in a Scotch regiment during the Revolutionary War, got separated from his regiment and secreted himself in a female seminary. He was discovered by one of the young ladies, Miss Jennie Elizabeth McAllister, daughter of Dr. McAllister of Philadelphia, Pa., surgeon in the Continental Army. They fell in love, and were married. They had a son, John McMichael, who became the head of the McMichael family of Philadelphia."

In connection with the above tradition, it will be noted that in the will of Elizabeth (McAllister) McMichael, made in 1838 in the Long Point Settlement of Canada, she left $5 to her son John with the proviso: "If he should come into this Province".

There was a John McMichael, born 1777 and died 1846, who was employed on the estate of Joseph Bonaparte at Bordentown, N. J., not far from Philadelphia. He married Hannah Maria Masters and had a son, Morton, who became prominent in the political and journalistic life of Philadelphia.

acres. Their children received land under Orders-in-Council dated as follows:

Juliana (who married Anthony Fick) 16 February 1816 and 9 July 1827; William (of Norwich, Oxford county, Ont.) 9 February 1820; Hugh (of Walsingham township, Norfolk county, Ont.) 19 March 1840; James (of Walsingham) 16 February 1816; Hannah (who married William Backhouse) 7 August 1811 and 26 March 1817; Eliza (who married DeLong) 18 July 1816; Eleanor (who married Henry Ellis of Oakland, Brant county, Ont.) 15 March 1832.

In 1797 and 1798 Edward McMichael served as captain in the Norfolk County Militia, the record being preserved in the Mitchell collection, Misc., Vol. VII, Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.

When the McMichael family came to Walsingham, they were neighbors of Dr. John Troyer, the first white settler in the township. Dr. Troyer was superstitious and looked upon certain of his neighbors as witches, one of the most dreaded being Elizabeth McMichael. When Dr. Troyer went deer hunting, if he met Mrs. McMichael he considered it an ill omen and would turn about and go home. Mrs. McMichael, who was a well educated and clever woman, derived much amusement from the situation and is reported to have told Dr. Troyer that she could not step over a broomstick or it would ride her away.

Edward McMichael died in September 1800. Elizabeth died in 1839. In her will, dated 8 September 1838, Elizabeth "being old but of sound mind and memory" made bequests as follows:

To daughter Julianna Fick, 6 acres, the northwesterly angle of the front part of Lot 14, Front, township of Walsingham; to son William McMichael, 5 acres, at his death this land to be sold and divided equally between his two daughters, Eleanor and Sarah; to son Hugh, the remainder of her farm, after his death the farm to be sold and 1/3 the price to go to her son James if then living; to daughter Hannah Backhouse, $100; to daughter Eliza DeLong, the right to occupy part of her dwelling house and 1 acre of land for a garden as long as

she remain a widow or as long as her son Hugh should live; Elizabeth Rierson and Ann McMichael to share equally the furniture; to daughter Eleanor Ellis, $100 to be spent for the education of her son James; to son John McMichael, $5 if he should come into the Province.

A son, George, who was a constable for Walsingham in 1809, enlisted in 1812 and was killed at the Battle of Fort Erie; and a son, Henry, was drowned while crossing the Bay to Long Point, his body being found down the Lake some time later. A daughter, Sarah, while not mentioned in her mother's will, was named by Mr. Owen as having married a Mr. Dresser and having gone to the United States.

Sources: Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.; Department of Public Records and Archives, Toronto, Ont.; Surrogate Court records in Simcoe, Ont.; bound volume of newspaper clippings, entitled *Bordentown and its Environs*, 1879, by E. M. Woodward, in Pennsylvania Historical Society's Library, Philadelphia, Pa.; *Dictionary of American Biography*, Vol. XII, p. 142; *Pioneer Sketches of the Long Point Settlement*, 1898, by E. A. Owen; *Ontario Historical Society Papers and Records*, Vol.II (*The United Empire Loyalist Settlement at Long Point, Lake Erie*), 1900, by L. H. Tasker; *ibid.*, Vol. XXIV, p. 32; *Loyalists of the American Revolution*, 1847, by Lorenzo Sabine; *Loyalist Muster Rolls* (photostatic copies), Division of Manuscripts, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. John Cornelius Backhouse, Port Rowan, Ont.

APPENDIX II

WILSON FAMILY

THE grandfather of John M. Wilson (1826-1884), who married Rebecca Taylor (1.6.), and of his brother Samuel Wilson (1830-1904), who married Rebecca's sister Sarah Taylor (1.2.), resided at Rich Hill, a village midway between Portadown and Armagh, County Armagh, Ireland. He had 7 children: John (see below), David, Robert, Samuel, Maria, Conay, and Jane.

John Wilson, who was born at Rich Hill, married about 1816 Jane Craig (see Appendix 2—Craig Family) and had 9 children, one of whom died in Ireland. John and Jane, with their family of eight, emigrated to Canada in 1847. They were among the many unfortunates who died of "ship-fever"[a] on their arrival in Montreal, where they were buried. The Wilson orphans were taken to the home of their aunt Rachel (Craig) and uncle Joseph Abraham, who then lived near Prescott, Ont. The children were:

(1) Rachel (1818-1866), who married John McNally (1815-1901) and had 8 children:

1. William, who died at 7 years.
2. Maria, who died at 10 years and was buried in St. John's Anglican cemetery 3 miles south of Simcoe, Norfolk county, Ont.
3. John, who was a bachelor.

a. "Ship-fever" and "jail-fever", according to *The New Century Dictionary*, are synonyms for typhus fever, which is described as an "acute infectious disease characterized by great prostration, severe nervous symptoms, and a peculiar eruption of reddish spots on the body."

Following the 1846-47 potato famine in Ireland, one and one-half million people migrated from that country during a ten-year period. Of this migration Edwin C. Guillet in *The Great Migration*, 1937, says: "Crop failure, disease and famine in Ireland in 1846-47 led to mass migration of the destitute in such numbers that almost all restrictions on ships bound for Canadian ports were withdrawn. An observer wrote, 'It would in my opinion have been more humane to have deprived them at once of life'. A particularly virulent form of dysentery, together with smallpox, measles, and 'ship-fever'—similar to that induced by overcrowding in jails—broke out

4. Samuel, who married Phoebe Marsden and had 4 children: (a) Wilson, who died at 14 years; (b) Harvey, who married Mary Cooper and had Elizabeth Olive; (c) Zelma; (d) Fletcher, who had a son Carleton who married Anna Knight and had Edwin Dean, Eunice Alice, and Frederick Walker.
5. Sarah Jane, who was a spinster.
6. Walker, who married Alice McKenzie and had a son Walker, who married Mary Hill.
7. Frank, who married Mary Baxendale and had 5 children: (a) Norman, who married Lillian Gibson and had Ethel May and Norma Ruth; (b) Beatrice, who married Ernest Colclough and had Verna Eunice, Muriel Beatrice, and Frederick Leonard; (c) Ethel; (d) Alma, who married Thomas Cooper and had Edna Muriel; and (e) Herbert, who married Elizabeth Hall and had a son, John, who died young.
8. William, who died unmarried in 1919.

(2) Sarah, who married William McCausland of Middleton township, Norfolk county, Ont., and had 8 children: 1. William, who died at 14 years; 2. John, who died young; 3. Ann (1854-1929), who married her first cousin, Jesse Wilson, son of Samuel and Sarah (Taylor) Wilson (see Jesse Wilson 1.2.4.); 4. Jane, who married John Masterton of Saginaw, Mich., and had Minnie, Kate, and William; 5. Lucy, who died unmarried; 6. Rachel, who married Augustus Reeves; 7. Sarah Lena,

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on most of these vessels, bringing death to some 30,000 people, and the most intense suffering to the survivors. Of slightly more than 100,000 persons who left the British Isles for America in 1847, a total of 17,445 died during the passage, in quarantine, or in hospital. *The London Times* commented, 'The Blackhole of Calcutta was a mercy compared to the holds of these vessels' . . . The fever attacked its victims with the suddenness of the Black Death of 1665—the first symptom was generally a reeling in the head, followed by a swelling pain, as if the head were going to burst. Next came excrutiating pains in the bones, and then a swelling of the limbs, commencing with the feet, in some cases ascending the body and again descending before it reached the head, stopping at the throat. The period of each stage varied in different patients, some of whom were covered with yellow, watery pimples, and others with red and purple spots that turned into putrid sores."

In 1912 the Ancient Order of Hibernians erected near Quebec a monument to the ship-fever victims, where in 1947 centennial ceremonies were held.

who married her first cousin, Charles Edgar Wilson, son of John M. and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson, and had Howard Edgar (1.6.3.9.) and Sarah Lena (1.6.3.10.); and 8. Thomas (1860-1944), who resided at Watford, Ont., married Lucetta Shannon, and had (a) William, who served in World War I, after which he worked in the post office at London, Ont., (b) Sadie, and (c) Opal, both of whom resided at London, Ont.

(3) Jane (-1869), who married in 1851 John Gorton (1819-1867) and had 6 children:

1. John, who married Caroline Arnot and had: (a) Harvey, who married Lena Haldane and had Marion Olive and William John; (b) Eva, a mute, who married Carl Olson and had 2 children, one of whom was Margaret; and (c) Herbert, who had 2 children.
2. Anna, who married Charles Barnes and had 5 children: (a) Evaline, who married William Haldane and had Anna Lorena and Eva Wilma; (b) Herbert, who married Mary Barnes and had Harvey Spencer and Alma Margaret; (c) Edith; (d) Harvey, who married Luella Miles and had no children; and (e) Jennie, who married Harry Teeple and had John Gorton, William Robert, and Clifford George.
3. Joseph, who died unmarried.
4. Charles, who resided at Murillo, married Eliza Hasset and had a daughter, Jennie Lucinda (Jean) who married Kenneth McDonald and had Campbell Kenneth, Thelma Jean, Frank, and Lorne.
5. Andrew, who married Mary Hayward and had 5 children: (a) Blanche, who married Roy Bradshaw and had Reta and William; (b) Robert, who married Nancy Sinclair and had Floyd, Ruby, Hazel, and Lulu; (c) Leah, who married Roy Jeffries and had Donald and Stewart; (d) Lloyd; and (e) Eliza (Lyla), who married Everett Williams and had a son, James.

6. Albert, who resided at Murillo, married Ida Butler (niece of Lavina Butler who married Charles Edgar Wilson 1.6.3.), and had 4 children: (a) Glen, who married 2 July 1926 Helen McLean and had Joyce, who was born 1 July 1927; (b) Reta, who married 20 June 1924 Cecil H. Scott and had Evan, who was born 5 August 1933; (c) John, who married 27 December 1937 May McDonald and had Joan, who was born 20 April 1939; and (d) Ray.

(4) John M. (1826-1884), who married Rebecca Taylor (1.6.).

(5) Samuel (1830-1904), who married Sarah Taylor (1.2.).

(6) Maria, who died in Ireland before 1847.

(7) Robert (1837-1884), who married Mary Maloney (1837-1918), resided at Guysboro, Norfolk county, Ont., and had 3 children: 1. James, who was born in 1864; 2. Mary Jane (1867-1944), who married Kelly Smith and had 5 children, three of whom died young, the remaining two being Lela and Wilbur; 3. Rachel Louise (1872-), who married (1) James Newman and had Wray and Alice, and married (2) Henry Kile and resided at Port Huron, Mich.

(8) Martha, and (9) Margaret, both of whom died young at the home of their mother's sister, Rachel (Craig) Abraham, and were buried in the Abraham garden, near Prescott, Ont.

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